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...to *100 Days of Crochet* – your go-to guide for crafting bliss. We appreciate how the art of hooking yarn works its wonders for a mindful creative experience, so we've included a wide range of projects for beginners and beyond to get going.

Start off by looking over our diary on page 6, where we've laid out projects to give you 100 days of solid crocheting. If you're new to the craft, however, you might prefer to choose your own timetable, starting with the smaller, beginner-friendly projects that will help you get to grips with crochet. And, of course, depending on your expertise, you may find that some of the projects take longer to complete than the time we've suggested.

Whether you're a beginner or a pro, you're in for a treat with our comprehensive selection of projects. We've got a toybox full of cute characters, a wardrobe's worth of clothing and accessories, and enough ideas to give your home an overhaul. Plus, if you're looking to learn, our skills school section includes techniques like Tunisian crochet and broomstick stitch so you can really up the ante. Plus, for anyone wanting to get youngsters crocheting, there is a lovely selection of Make It With Mum projects that you can craft together.

We hope you enjoy creating the makes in this magazine, so all that's left to say is... Happy Crocheting!

Corinne

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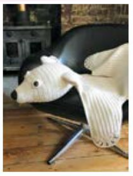

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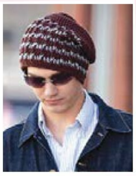

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Rumour has it that people don't craft as much during summer, as they're busy gardening or holidaying. Personally, I like to take full advantage of the longer hours of daylight and since my hooks and yarn are fairly portable, I often enjoy a spot of crochet in the garden! I know the lovely variety of projects in this mag will entice you to continue your crafting all summer long.

I've picked out six tutorial videos, covering some of the basics that will help you on your way to becoming a crochet expert. Do check them out at **YouTube.com/TheCraftsChannel**, then comment to let me know how you got on with your own crochet projects. I'd love to hear from you and see what lovely things you're making.

Corinne

PS Be sure to like and subscribe to The Crafts Channel too so you can keep up to date with my latest makes and how-tos!

1

How To Crochet: Holding Your Yarn and Hook

This handy video is the first of a series, which will teach you every essential stitch and technique you need to know to crochet

2

How To Crochet Scrap Yarn Bowls

Need a way to use up all those odds and ends of yarn that are too small to use? These spiral bowls, pots and mats are so simple to create

3

How To Crochet: Learn Amigurumi

Discover the basics of this Japanese-inspired toy craze with tutorials parts 1 and 2

4

How To Crochet: Magic Loop and Chain Circles

Learn two methods for crocheting in circles – they're handy for toys, lace patterns and more

5

Easy To Make Crochet Face Scrubbies

Wave goodbye to throwaway cotton wool pads and hook yourself a bunch of washable scrubbies from oddments of cotton yarn

6

How To Join Crocheted Granny Squares

Sew your crocheted pieces together with this easy technique and ensure your blockwork project will stand the test of time

MAKE IT WITH Mum

DESIGNER **CORINNE BRADD**

Fringed Feather Hanging

Try your hand at macramé with these fluffy decorations and embellishments

Beginner

KIT LIST

★ DK yarn: Rich Plum, Soft Violet, Vibrant Orange, Purple Mix (variegated) ★ Crochet hook, 3.75mm ★ Cutting mat ★ Wooden dowel or stick ★ Tapestry needle ★ Scissors

Feather: 17cm long

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MAKE THE FEATHER WITH A STEP-BY-STEP TUTORIAL ONLINE AT
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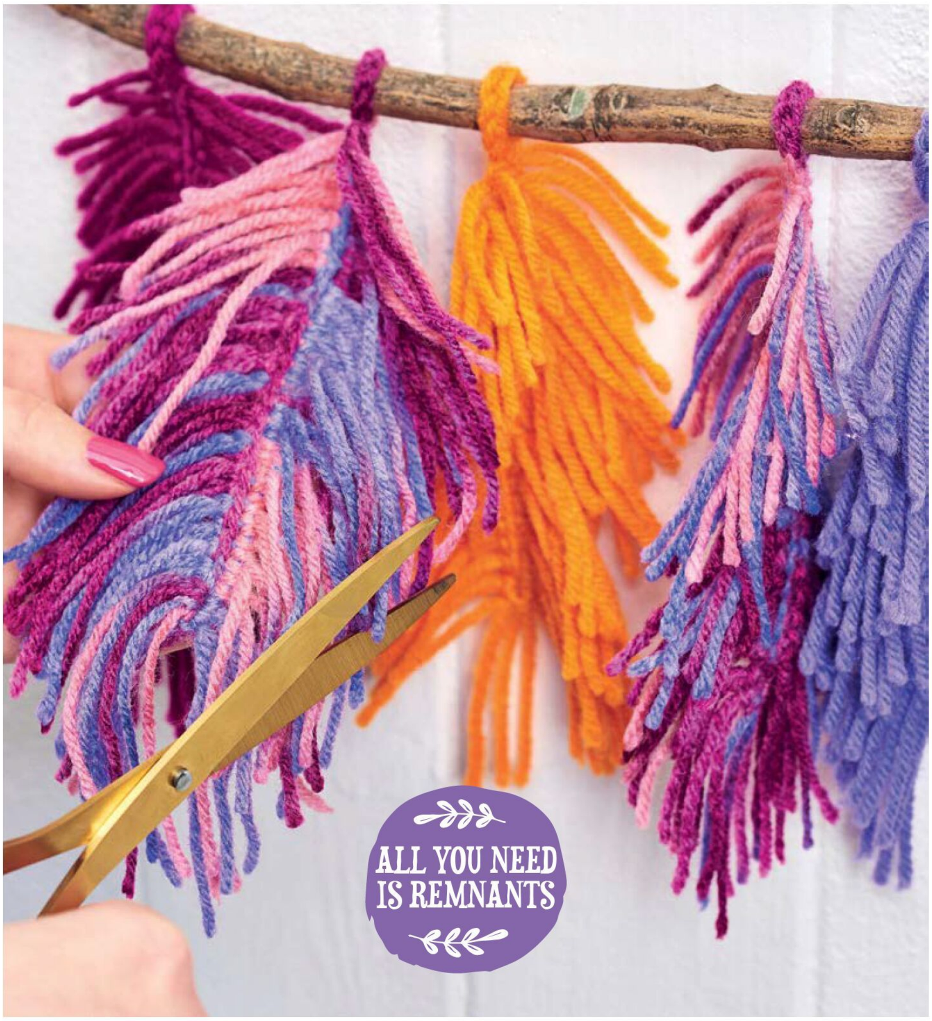
We say

"If you want the strands to hold their positions, glue the feather onto a felt cutout"

BEFORE YOU START

TRY USING VARIEGATED OR SPECKLED YARN TO ADD DETAIL TO YOUR FEATHERS



ALL YOU NEED IS REMNANTS

1 Make five feathers, one each in Rich Plum, Soft Violet and Vibrant Orange, two in Purple Mix. Using 3.75mm hook and chosen yarn make 25ch Miss five sts, sl st in each st to end, tie long ends tog in reef knot at end.

2 Wrap chosen yarn loosely around three fingers several times. Remove from your hand and cut through to create several even lengths of yarn about 11cm long. Fix yarn pieces in each side of stem using hook to pull centre of each piece through each st on either side, wind ends of yarn over hook and through centre loop. Pull ends tight to make lark's head knot.

3 Attach several lengths of yarn to loop created by reef knot at end of stem in same way. Lay feather on flat surface. Comb pieces with fingers and trim into shape. Suspend feathers from a wooden dowel or stick using ch loop at top of Feather. Weave in all ends

WHY NOT TRY...

The feathers are made using a little macramé, but if you want to swap to crochet, make a thicker stem by swapping sl sts into chs for 1dc in each st to end. Cut shorter pieces of yarn and use your hook to fix them into either side of the stem by working a lark's head knot in each st on both sides

MAKE ME ON DAY 7

CHALLENGE YOURSELF:

CRAFT YOURSELF CALM

Enjoy your art by savouring the moment

Practise mindfulness when you crochet and stitch your way to a happier life. Firstly, forget the idea that the end product has to be perfect and enjoy the process instead – notice the detail and joy in the moment, as the soft yarn runs through your fingers and slowly turns into something beautiful. Find patterns that challenge you to learn new stitches but aren't unrealistically advanced, and don't set yourself strict deadlines. In essence, spend less time worrying and more time enjoying the act of crafting – you'll soon realise that the finished project is much more than just fibres and structure – there's a little bit of you in every stitch. Spend the day picking out some mindful patterns – great options include mandalas, swatches, hexies and granny triangles – they're especially good for crafting anytime and anywhere the moment takes you. A Mood Blanket is also a therapeutic choice – as well as a fab stash buster. Add a little bit to it every day, picking a colour of yarn that represents your feelings at the time. Immerse yourself in a complex pattern or repeat your favourite stitch, make a lap blanket or a king-size throw, anything goes... what's important is the positive effect this process has on your wellbeing.

Do it in a day

Enjoy

DESIGNER: **SARAH SHRIMPTON**

Weather Toys

MAKE ME ON DAY 3

Brighten a playroom with cheery toy sun, cloud and raindrop decorations

DONE IN A DAY

Beginner

KIT LIST

★ DK yarn: navy blue, sky blue, baby blue, variegated blue, yellow, white, black ★ Crochet hook, 4mm ★ Safety eyes, 6mm, eight ★ Stuffing ★ Twig ★ Tapestry needle ★ Scissors ★ Tape measure

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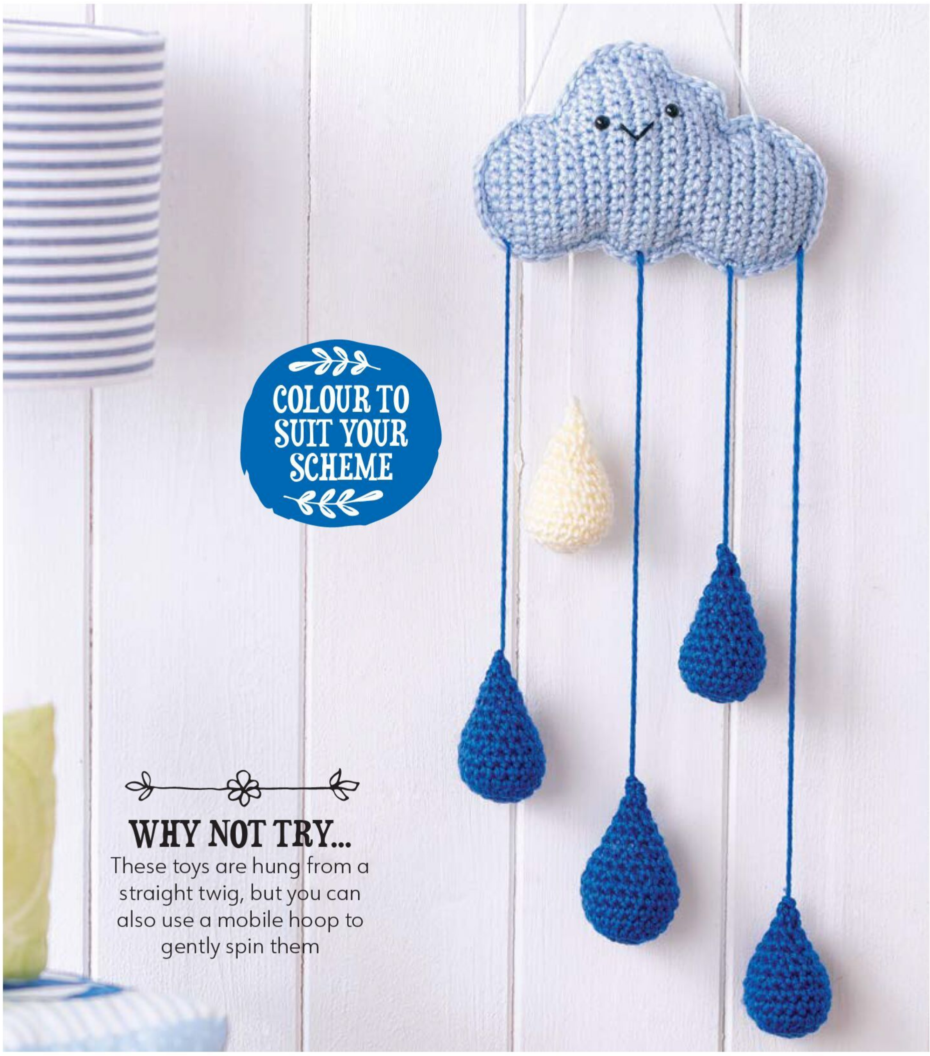
We say

"Mix and match the elements to create different themed weather mobiles"

BEFORE YOU START

USE A STITCH MARKER TO MARK THE FIRST STITCH OF EVERY ROUND SO YOU'LL NEVER LOSE YOUR PLACE



COLOUR TO SUIT YOUR SCHEME

WHY NOT TRY...

These toys are hung from a straight twig, but you can also use a mobile hoop to gently spin them

RAINDROP MOBILE

SMALL RAINDROP (MAKE 5)

Using Navy Blue (Navy Blue, Navy Blue, Navy Blue, White) make a magic ring, work 5dc into ring. Five sts

NOTE: stuff as you work

☐ Rnds 1-2: 2dc in each st to end. 20 sts

☐ Rnds 3-5: 1dc in each st to end

☐ Rnd 6: (2dc, dc2tog) to end. 15 sts

☐ Rnd 7: 1dc in each st to end

☐ Rnd 8: (1dc, dc2tog) to end. Ten sts

☐ Rnd 9: rep Rnd 7

☐ Rnd 10: (3dc, dc2tog) to end. Eight sts

☐ Rnd 11: (2dc, dc2tog) to end. Six sts

☐ Rnd 12: (dc2tog) to end. Three sts

Fasten off, leaving a 30cm tail

CLOUD (MAKE 2)

Using 4.5mm hook and Sky Blue make 5ch

☐ Row 1: 1ch, 1dc in each st to end, turn. Five sts

☐ Rows 2-4: 1ch, 2dc in next st, 1dc in each st to last st, 2dc in next st, turn. 11 sts

☐ Rows 5-6: 1ch, 1dc in each st to end, turn

☐ Row 7: 1ch, 9dc, dc2tog, 2ch, turn. Ten sts

☐ Row 8: 1ch, 1dc in each ch sp and st to end, turn. 12 sts

☐ Row 9: 1ch, 10dc, (2dc in

next st) twice, turn. 14 sts
☐ Row 10: 1ch, 2dc in next st, 11dc, dc2tog, turn
☐ Rows 11-12: 1ch, 1dc in each st to last st, 2dc in next st, turn. 16 sts
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☐ Row 17: 1ch, dc2tog, 11dc, turn, leaving two sts unworked. 12 sts
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☐ Row 20: 1ch, dc2tog, 10dc, 2dc in next st, turn
☐ Row 21: 1ch, 10dc, turn, leaving three sts unworked. Ten sts
☐ Row 22: 1ch, 2dc in next st, 1dc in each st to last st, 2dc in next st, turn. 12 sts
☐ Rows 23-24: rep Rows 5-6
☐ Row 25: rep Row 16. Ten sts
☐ Row 26: rep Row 1
☐ Row 27: rep Row 16. Eight sts
☐ Row 28: 1ch, 6dc, dc2tog, turn. Seven sts
☐ Row 29: rep Row 16. Five sts
Fasten off when making first Cloud, do not fasten off when making second Cloud

TO MAKE UP

Insert safety eyes in one Cloud piece. Embroider mouth. Place Clouds tog. Using 4.5mm hook and working yarn, work a border of dc around edges of both pieces to secure tog, stuffing as you work. Fasten off. Attach a length of yarn to either side of Cloud. Attach yarn to twig. Place Small Raindrops evenly across bottom of cloud at varying lengths. Sew in place using long yarn tails

BIG RAINDROP

Using 4.5mm hook and Variegated Blue make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts
☐ Rnds 1-2: 2dc in each st to end. 24 sts
☐ Rnd 3: (3dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 30 sts
☐ Rnd 4: (4dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 36 sts
☐ Rnd 5: 1dc in each st to end
☐ Rnd 6: (5dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 42 sts
☐ Rnd 7: (6dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 48 sts
☐ Rnds 8-12: 1dc in each st to end
☐ Rnd 13: (6dc, dc2tog) to end. 42 sts
☐ Rnd 14: (5dc, dc2tog) to end. 36 sts
☐ Rnd 15: rep Rnd 5
☐ Rnd 16: (4dc, dc2tog) to end. 30 sts
☐ Rnds 17-18: 1dc in each st to end
Stuff.
NOTE: Insert safety eyes between Rnds 18-19
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Stuff
☐ Rnd 28: (dc2tog) to end. Four sts
☐ Rnd 29: rep Rnd 5
Fasten off, sew in ends

TO MAKE UP

Embroider mouth in black yarn

SUNSHINE

MAIN PIECES (MAKE 2)

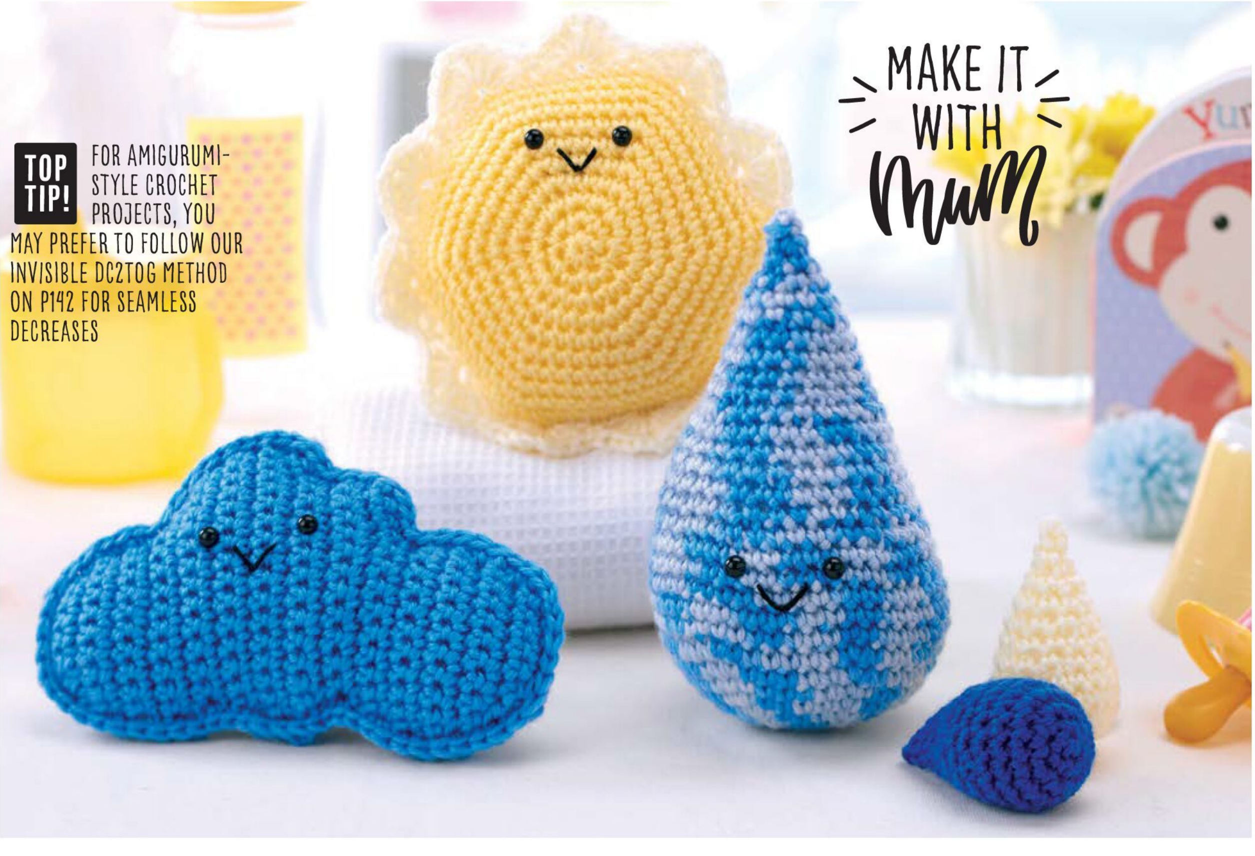
Using 4.5mm hook and Yellow make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts
☐ Rnds 1-4: rep Rnds 1-4 of Big Raindrop. 36 sts
☐ Rnds 5-6: rep Rnds 6-7 of Big Raindrop. 48 sts
☐ Rnd 7: (7dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 54 sts
☐ Rnd 8: (8dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 60 sts
☐ Rnd 9: (9dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 66 sts
Fasten off

TO MAKE UP

Insert safety eyes. Embroider mouth in black yarn

EDGING

Using 4.5mm hook and White, place two Sunshine pieces WS tog
☐ Rnd 1: 1dc in each st around edge to end, stuffing as you work. 66 sts
☐ Rnd 2: * 1dc, miss two sts, (3tr, 2ch, 3tr) in next st, miss two sts *, rep from * to end, join with a sl st to first st
Fasten off, sew in ends



TOP TIP! FOR AMIGURUMI-STYLE CROCHET PROJECTS, YOU MAY PREFER TO FOLLOW OUR INVISIBLE DC2TOG METHOD ON P142 FOR SEAMLESS DECREASES

DONE IN A DAY

DESIGNER **HEATHER GIBBS**

Chameleon Toy

Enjoy plenty of cuddles with this plump rainbow-coloured plush called Huey

Intermediate

KIT LIST

★ DK yarn: Fiery Red, Bright Orange, Golden Yellow, Rich Turquoise, Zesty Lime, Party Pink, Bold Navy, Vivid Fuchsia, Classic Cream, Black ★ Crochet hook, 3.25mm ★ Stitch markers ★ Tapestry needle ★ Stuffing ★ Safety eyes, 9mm, two ★ Tapestry needle ★ Scissors ★ Tape measure

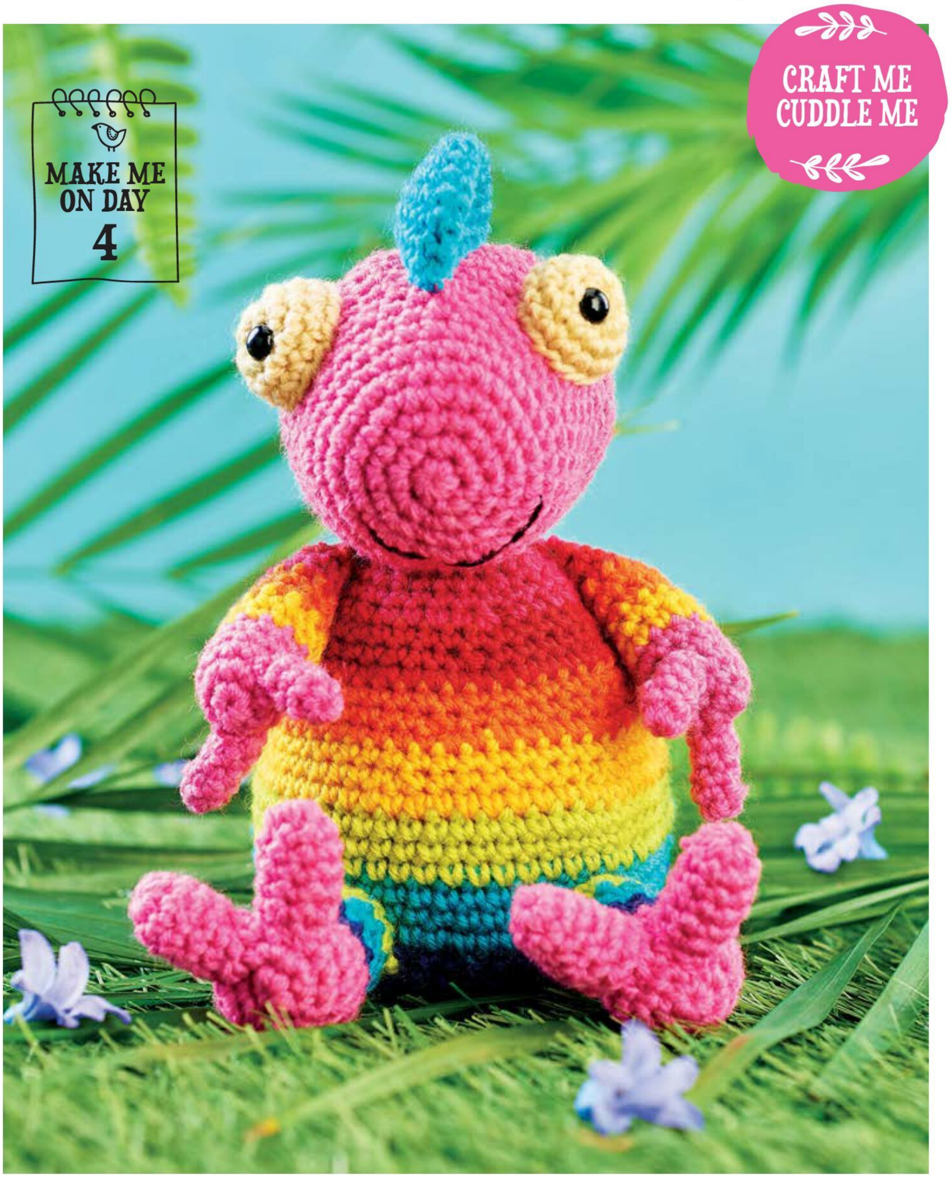
Chameleon: 21cm

We say

"The lizard's feet and tail act as stabilisers, so this fancy fella won't fall over"

BEFORE YOU START

WHEN ADDING THE HEAD AND LIMBS, MAKE SURE THE SIDE SEAM IS OFF TO ONE SIDE SO THE COLOUR CHANGES ARE OUT OF SIGHT



MAKE ME ON DAY 4

CRAFT ME CUDDLE ME

HEAD

Using 3.25mm hook and Party Pink make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

☐ Rnd 1: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts

☐ Rnd 2: (1dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 18 sts

☐ Rnd 3: (2dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 24 sts

☐ Rnd 4: (3dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 30 sts

☐ Rnds 5-9: 1dc in each st to end

☐ Rnd 10: (4dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 36 sts

☐ Rnd 11: (5dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 42 sts

☐ Rnd 12: (6dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 48 sts

☐ Rnds 13-14: 1dc in each st to end

☐ Rnd 15: (6dc, dc2tog) to end. 42 sts

☐ Rnd 16: (5dc, dc2tog) to end. 36 sts

☐ Rnd 17: (4dc, dc2tog) to end. 30 sts

Note: stuff as you go

☐ Rnd 18: (3dc, dc2tog) to end. 24 sts

☐ Rnd 19: (2dc, dc2tog) to end. 18 sts

☐ Rnd 20: (1dc, dc2tog) to

end. 12 sts
☐ Rnd 21: (dc2tog) to end. Six sts
Cut yarn leaving a long tail, thread tail onto tapestry needle and thread through rem sts, fasten off

EYE (MAKE 2)

Using 3.25mm hook and Classic Cream make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts
☐ Rnd 1: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts
☐ Rnd 2: (2dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 16 sts
☐ Rnd 3: 1dc in each st to end
Fasten off, leaving a long tail

CREST

Using 3.25mm hook and Rich Turquoise make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts
☐ Rnds 1-3: rep Rnds 1-3 of Head. 24 sts
☐ Rnds 4-6: 1dc in each st to end
Fasten off

BODY

Using 3.25mm hook and Bold Navy make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts
☐ Rnds 1-4: rep Rnds 1-4 of Head. 30 sts
☐ Rnds 5-7: rep Rnds 10-12 of Head. 48 sts
☐ Rnd 8: (7dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 54 sts
☐ Rnd 9: 1dc in each st to end
Work in foll three-rnd stripe sequence: Rich Turquoise, Zesty Lime, Golden Yellow, Bright Orange, Fiery Red, Vivid Fuchsia
☐ Rnds 10-16: 1dc in each st to end
☐ Rnd 17: (7dc, dc2tog) to end. 48 sts
☐ Rnds 18-19: 1dc in each st to end
☐ Rnd 20: (6dc, dc2tog) to end. 42 sts
☐ Rnds 21-22: 1dc in each st to end
☐ Rnd 23: (5dc, dc2tog) to end. 36 sts
☐ Rnd 24: 1dc in each st to end
Note: stuff as you go
☐ Rnd 25: (4dc, dc2tog) to end. 30 sts
☐ Rnd 26: 1dc in each st to end
☐ Rnd 27: (3dc, dc2tog) to end. 24 sts
Cont in Vivid Fuchsia
☐ Rnd 28: (2dc, dc2tog) to end. 18 sts
Fasten off, leaving a long tail

LEG (MAKE 2)

Using 3.25mm hook and Party Pink make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts
☐ Rnds 1-2: rep Rnds 1-2 of Head. 18 sts
☐ Rnds 3-4: 1dc in each st to end
☐ Rnd 5: (1dc, dc2tog) to end. 12 sts
Work in foll two-rnd stripe sequence: Bold Navy, Rich Turquoise, Zesty Lime
☐ Rnds 6-11: 1dc in each st to end
Fasten off toe

TOE (MAKE 4)

Using 3.25mm hook and Party Pink make a magic ring, work 8dc into ring. Eight sts
☐ Rnds 1-5: 1dc in each st to end
Fasten off

ARM (MAKE 2)

Using 3.25mm hook and Party Pink make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts
☐ Rnd 1: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts
☐ Rnds 2-4: 1dc in each st to end
Work in foll two-rnd stripe sequence: Golden Yellow, Bright Orange, Vivid Fuchsia, Fiery Red
☐ Rnds 5-12: 1dc in each st to end
Fasten off

FINGER (MAKE 4)

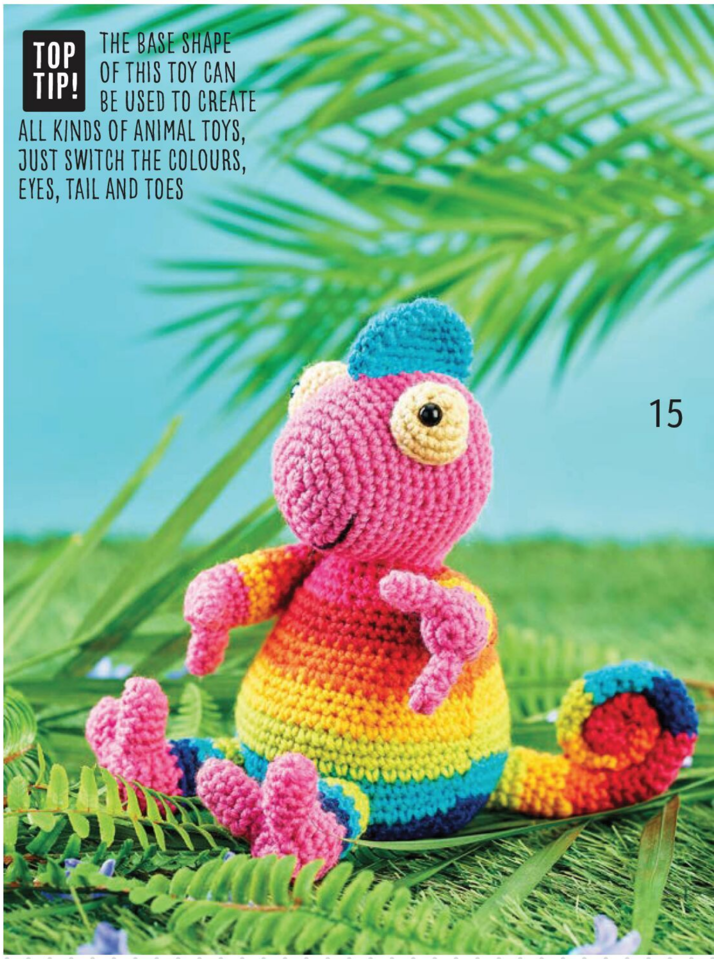
Using 3.25mm hook and Party Pink make a magic ring, work 5dc into ring. Five sts
☐ Rnds 1-4: 1dc in each st to end
Fasten off

TAIL

Using 3.25mm hook and Vivid Fuchsia make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts
☐ Rnds 1-3: 1dc in each st to end
Work in foll four-rnd stripe sequence: * Fiery Red, Bright Orange, Golden Yellow, Zesty Lime *, Rich Turquoise, Bold Navy, Vivid Fuchsia, rep from * to *
☐ Rnds 4-27: 1dc in each st to end
☐ Rnd 28: 2dc in next st, 1dc in each st to end. Seven sts
☐ Rnds 29-31: 1dc in each st to end
☐ Rnd 32-39: rep Rnds 28-31 twice. Nine sts
☐ Rnd 40: rep Rnd 28. Ten sts
☐ Rnds 41-47: 1dc in each st to end
Fasten off, leaving a long tail

TO MAKE UP

Coil Tail up from Rnd 1, then sew to secure shape. Stuff bottom of Arms only, and rem part of Tail and Toes lightly. Stuff Feet and Legs firmly. Insert safety eyes to Rnd 1 of Eyes then stuff lightly. Attach Eyes to Head over Rnds 8-13, approx nine sts apart. Attach Crest on top of Head between Eyes, on Rnds 8-17. Embroider mouth between Rnds 4-5 of Head using black DK. Using fastened-off yarn ends, sew Head on top of Body. Sew Fingers to Rnds 2-4 of Arms, approx two sts apart. Attach Arms with Fingers facing forwards to Body over Rnds 22-28. Sew Toes over Rnds 2-4 of Legs. Sew Legs facing forwards to Body over Rnds 8-12, approx seven sts apart, and Tail to back of Body over Rnds 8-10. Weave in all ends



TOP TIP! THE BASE SHAPE OF THIS TOY CAN BE USED TO CREATE ALL KINDS OF ANIMAL TOYS, JUST SWITCH THE COLOURS, EYES, TAIL AND TOES

"All the body parts are worked in continuous rounds, so mark the start of each with a stitch marker in the top of the first stitch"

HEATHER GIBBS DESIGNER

DONE IN A DAY

DESIGNER: **LIZ WARD**

Baby Dragons

Craft a mythical hatching playset for a special little one in your life

MAKE ME ON DAY
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Beginner

KIT LIST
★ Stylecraft Special DK acrylic yarn: Kelly Green, Turquoise, Jaffa, Citron, White ★ Crochet hook, 3.5mm ★ Stitch marker ★ Safety eyes, 9mm, four ★ Tapestry needle ★ Tape measure ★ Scissors ★ Toy filling

Dragon: 12cm tall
Egg: 7cm tall (closed)

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We say

"The simple shape of the egg is a great introduction to increases"

BEFORE YOU START

IF YOU'RE STRUGGLING TO KEEP YOUR STITCHES SMALL, SWITCH TO A SMALLER CROCHET HOOK

DRAGON

HEAD (MAKE 2)

Using 3.5mm hook and Kelly Green (Turquoise) make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts
☐ Rnd 1: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts
☐ Rnds 2-4: 1dc in each st to end
☐ Rnd 5: (3dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 15 sts
☐ Rnd 6: (4dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 18 sts
☐ Rnd 7: (2dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 24 sts
NOTE: mark prev rnd with a st marker
☐ Rnd 8: rep Rnd 5. 30 sts
☐ Rnds 9-12: 1dc in each st to end
Insert safety eyes in marked round, six sts apart
☐* Rnd 13: (dc2tog, 3dc) to end. 24 sts
☐ Rnd 14: (dc2tog, 2dc) to end. 18 sts
☐ Rnd 15: (dc2tog, 1dc) to end. 12 sts. Stuff
☐ Rnd 16: (dc2tog) to end. Six sts
Fasten off, sew hole closed *

BODY (MAKE 2)

Using 3.5mm hook and Kelly Green (Turquoise) make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts
☐ Rnd 1: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts
☐ Rnds 2-3: rep Rnds 5-6 of Head. 18 sts
☐ Rnd 4: (5dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 21 sts
☐ Rnd 5: (6dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 24 sts
☐ Rnd 6: (7dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 27 sts
☐ Rnd 7: (8dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 30 sts
☐ Rnds 8-11: 1dc in each st to end
☐ Rep from * to * of Head

ARM (MAKE 4, 2 IN EACH COLOUR)

* Using 3.5mm hook and Kelly Green (Turquoise) make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts
☐ Rnds 1-4: 1dc in each st to end *
Fasten off

LEG (MAKE 4, 2 IN EACH COLOUR)

Rep from * to * of Arm. Six sts
☐ Rnd 5: (2dc, 2dc in next st) to end. Eight sts
☐ Rnds 6-7: rep Rnds 5-6 of Head. 12 sts
☐ Rnds 8-10: 1dc in each st to end
☐ Rnd 11: (dc2tog) to end. Six sts
Fasten off, sew hole closed

TAIL (MAKE 2)

Using 3.5mm hook and Kelly Green (Turquoise) make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts
☐ Rnds 1-3: 2dc in next st, 1dc in each st to end. Nine sts
☐ Rnds 4-8: 1dc in each st to end
Fasten off

EAR (MAKE 4, 2 IN EACH COLOUR)

Using 3.5mm hook and Kelly Green (Turquoise) make 4ch
☐ Row 1: 1dc in second ch from hook, 1tr in next ch, 1dtr in next ch
Fasten off

HORN (MAKE 4, 2 IN EACH COLOUR)

Using 3.5mm hook and Jaffa (Citron) make a magic ring,

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work 6dc into ring. Six sts
☐ Rnds 1-2: 1dc in each st to end
Fasten off

SPINES (MAKE 2)

Using 3.5mm hook and Jaffa (Citron) make 31ch
☐ Row 1: 1dc in second ch from hook, 1htr in next ch, 2ch, one sl st in next ch, (1dc in next ch, 1htr in next ch, 2ch, one sl st in next ch) to end
Fasten off

WING (MAKE 4, 2 IN EACH COLOUR)

Using 3.5mm hook and Jaffa (Citron) make 6ch
☐ Row 1: 1tr in third ch from hook, 1htr in each of next two ch, 1dc in next ch, turn. Four sts
☐ Row 2: 1ch, 1dc, 2htr, 1tr. Four sts
Fasten off

EGG

EGG TOP (MAKE 2)

Using 3.5mm hook and White make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts
☐ Rnds 1-7: rep Rnds 1-7 of Body. 30 sts
☐ Rnd 8: (9dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 33 sts
☐ Rnd 9: (10dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 36 sts
☐ Rnd 10: 1dc in each st to end
Fasten off

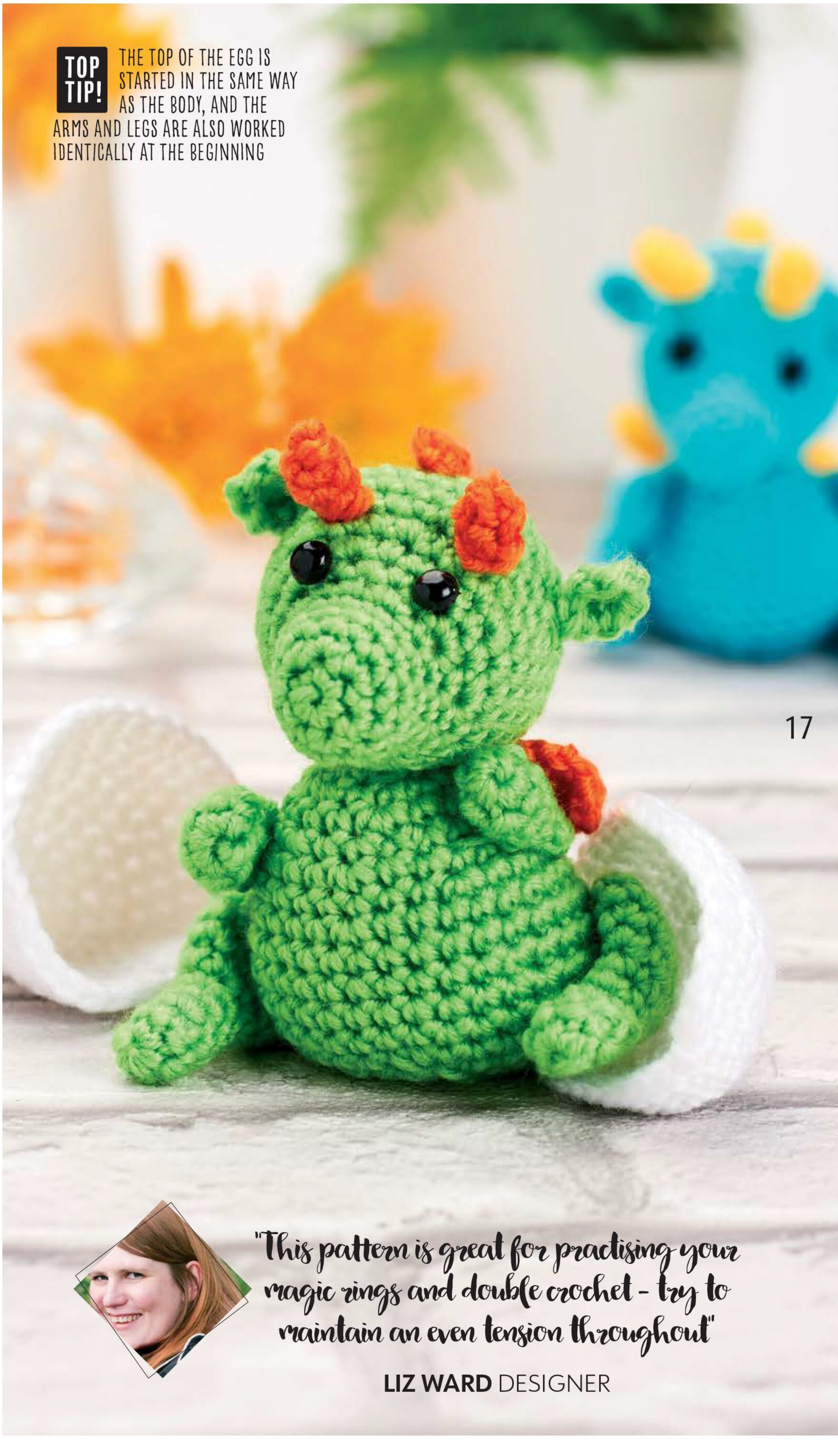
EGG BOTTOM (MAKE 2)

Using 3.5mm hook and White make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts
☐ Rnd 1: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts
☐ Rnd 2: (1dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 18 sts
☐ Rnd 3: (2dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 24 sts
☐ Rnd 4: (3dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 30 sts
☐ Rnds 5-8: 1dc in each st to end
Fasten off

TO MAKE UP

Sew Body to Head. Sew Arms and Legs to Body. Stuff Tail and sew to back of Body. Stitch two edges of triangle Ear tog to form ear shape. Sew Ears and Horns to Head. Sew spines onto back, between top of Head and end of Tail. Stitch Wings onto back, either side of Spines. Sew Top and Bottom Egg pieces tog with a single st. Weave in ends

TOP TIP! THE TOP OF THE EGG IS STARTED IN THE SAME WAY AS THE BODY, AND THE ARMS AND LEGS ARE ALSO WORKED IDENTICALLY AT THE BEGINNING



"This pattern is great for practising your magic rings and double crochet – try to maintain an even tension throughout"

LIZ WARD DESIGNER

DESIGNER **EMMA LEITH**

Fidget Keyrings

Squeeze away any worries with these colourful, pocket-size stress ball charms

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DONE IN A DAY

Beginner

KIT LIST

★ Rico Ricorumi DK cotton yarn: White 001, Raspberry 013, Orange 027, Lilac 017, Purple 020, Yellow 006, Tangerine 026, Blue 032, Sky Blue 031, Grass Green 044, Light Green 046, Emerald 042, one ball of each ★ Crochet hook, 3.75mm ★ Polyester toy filling ★ Yarn needle ★ Keyring or bag charm fixing ★ Card, 10cm wide ★ Assorted beads ★ Scissors ★ Tape measure

Ball: 7.5cm diameter (exc. tassel)

We say "For a tutorial about how to make a pom-pom, head to p118"

BEFORE YOU START

THE PATTERN IS FOR FOUR STRESS BALLS AND ANYTHING GOES WHEN CHOOSING THE COLOUR COMBINATIONS!

CIRCLES (MAKE 8 IN ASSORTED COLOURS)

Using 3.75mm hook and first colour, make 6ch and join with sl st in first ch to form a ring

☐ Rnd 1: 3ch (counts as first tr), 11tr into the ring, join with sl st into third of beg 3ch. 12 sts

Fasten off first colour

☐ Rnd 2: join second colour in any st, 2ch (counts as htr), 1htr in same st, 2htr in each st to end, join with sl st in second of beg 2ch. 24 sts

Fasten off second colour

☐ Rnd 3: join third colour in any st from round 1 and pull yarn up level to current round, ch1 (counts as first edc), 1dc in next st, *1edc in next st, 1dc in next st; rep from * to end, join with sl st in beg 1ch

Fasten off third colour

☐ Rnd 4: join fourth colour in any st, ch1 (counts as first dc), 1dc in same st (inc), 1dc in each of next 2 sts, *2dc in next st, 1dc in each of next 2 sts; rep from * to end, join with sl st in beg 1ch

Fasten off fourth colour

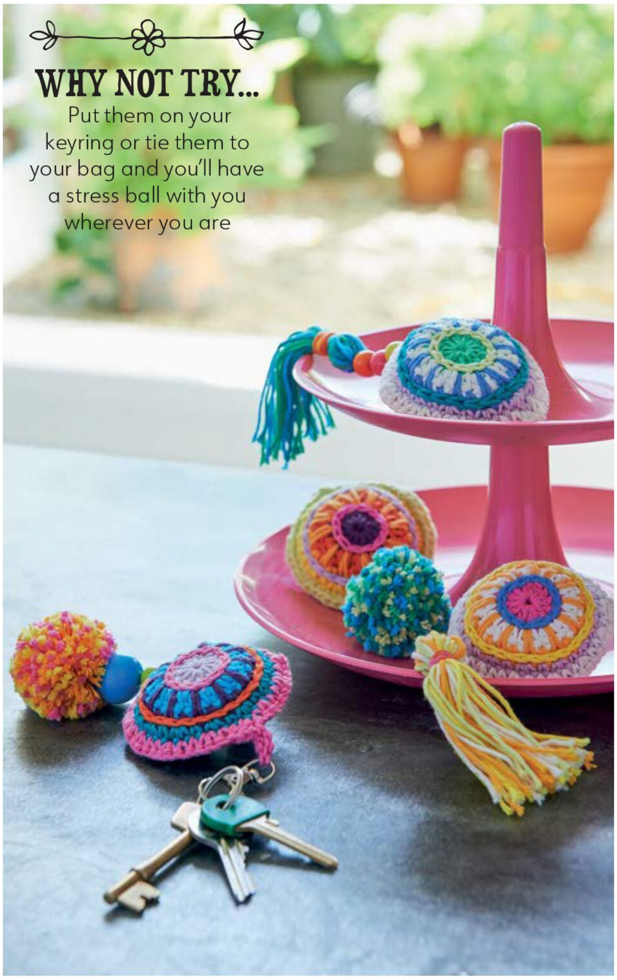
TO MAKE UP

Using any colour, work surface crochet around rnds 1 and 3 of each circle. Fasten off and sew in yarn ends. Hold two circles with WS tog, matching the corresponding edge stitches. Using any colour, work a double crochet seam to join, working 2dc in every fourth st. Stuff with polyester toy filling when about three-quarters of the way around, then complete the seam and join with a sl st in the 1ch

Fasten off, leaving a 25cm end. Rep to make up the other three stress balls. Using the 25cm end, 2ch, remove the hook from the loop and push the loop through the keyring eyelet, replace the loop on the hook, 2ch, join with a sl st in the base of the ch. Fasten off. Sew in all yarn ends carefully

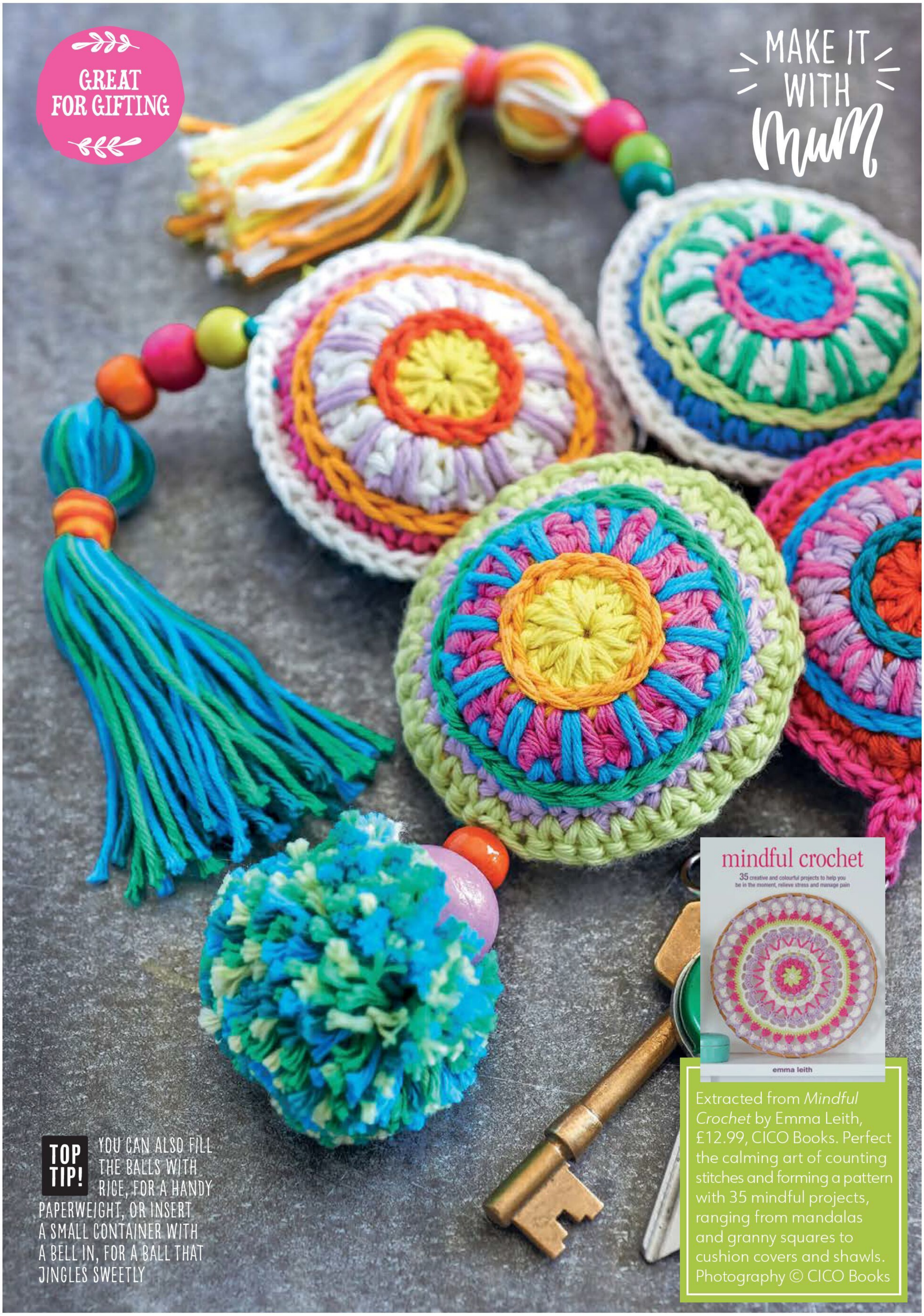
TASSEL

Using any combination of yarn colours, wrap yarn thickly around a 10cm piece of card. Cut a 25cm length of yarn, slide it under the strands and tie in a knot at the top. Remove the tassel from the card, and bind it securely just below the top, using a contrasting colour of yarn. Thread some beads onto the ends at the top, then use the remaining yarn end to sew the tassel onto the stress ball. Alternatively, make a small pom-pom using any combination of yarn colours. Leave a 20cm end at the top, thread on some beads then use to sew the pom-pom onto the ball directly opposite and central to the keyring fixing



WHY NOT TRY...

Put them on your keyring or tie them to your bag and you'll have a stress ball with you wherever you are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TOP TIP! YOU CAN ALSO FILL THE BALLS WITH RICE, FOR A HANDY PAPERWEIGHT, OR INSERT A SMALL CONTAINER WITH A BELL IN, FOR A BALL THAT JINGLES SWEETLY

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DESIGNER **CORINNE BRADD**

DONE IN A DAY

Sandwich Pouches

Take your lunch to work in these pretty, eco-friendly carriers

MAKE ME ON DAY 19

Beginner

KIT LIST

★ DK cotton yarn, assorted colours ★ Crochet hook, 4mm ★ Fabric, waxed cotton or oilcloth ★ Hook and loop fastener ★ Sewing machine ★ Tapestry needle ★ Scissors ★ Tape measure

Pouch size: approx 13cm square

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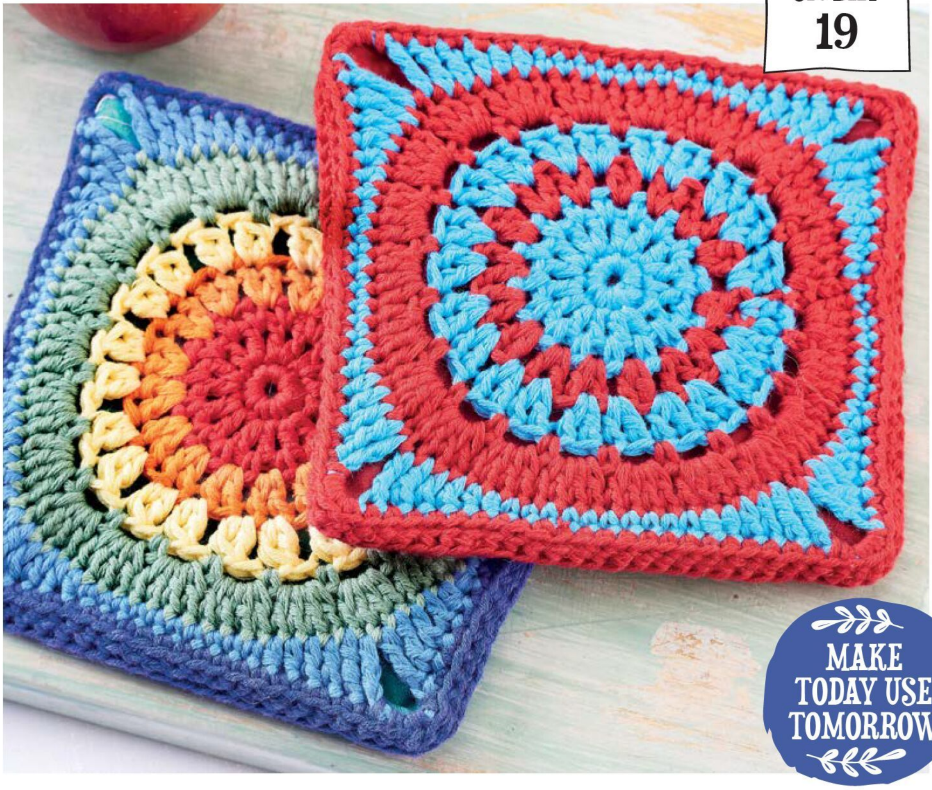
SINCE THE POUCHES ARE LINED WITH WAXED FABRIC OR OILCLOTH, THEY'RE EASY TO WIPE CLEAN AFTER USE



MAKE TODAY USE TOMORROW

FRONT

Using 4mm hook and cotton DK of choice make 4ch, join with sl st into a ring, 1ch, 8dc into ring, join with sl st

☐ Rnd 1: 3ch (counts as 1tr), 1tr into first st, (2tr into next st) seven times, join with a sl st to third of 3ch. 16 sts

☐ Rnd 2: 2ch (counts as 1dc, 1ch), (1dc in next st, 1ch) fifteen times, join with a sl st to first of 2ch

☐ Rnd 3: 3ch (counts as 1tr), (1tr, 1ch) into first ch sp, (2tr, 1ch) into next ch sp fifteen times, join with a sl st to third of 3ch. 32 sts

☐ Rnd 4: 3ch (counts as 1tr), (1tr, 1ch) into first st, (2tr, 1ch) in next st, miss a st, * (2tr, 1ch) in next two sts, miss a st, rep from * nine times, join with a sl st to third of 3ch. 44 sts

☐ Rnd 5: (1dc, 3ch) into the first st of each pair of trs, join with a sl st

☐ Rnd 6: 3ch (counts as 1tr), 3tr into first 3ch sp, 4tr into each 3ch sp to end, join with a sl st to third of 3ch

☐ Rnd 7: 1ch (counts as 1dc), 1dc in next st, * 2htr, 2tr, 2dtr, 3ch, 2dtr, 2tr, 2htr, 10dc. Rep from * to end and join with a sl st

☐ Rnd 8: 1dc in each st, 4dc in each corner chsp, join with a sl st, fasten off and block into a perfect square

BACK

Using 4mm hook and cotton DK of choice make 4ch, join with sl st into a ring, 1ch, 8dc into ring, join with sl st

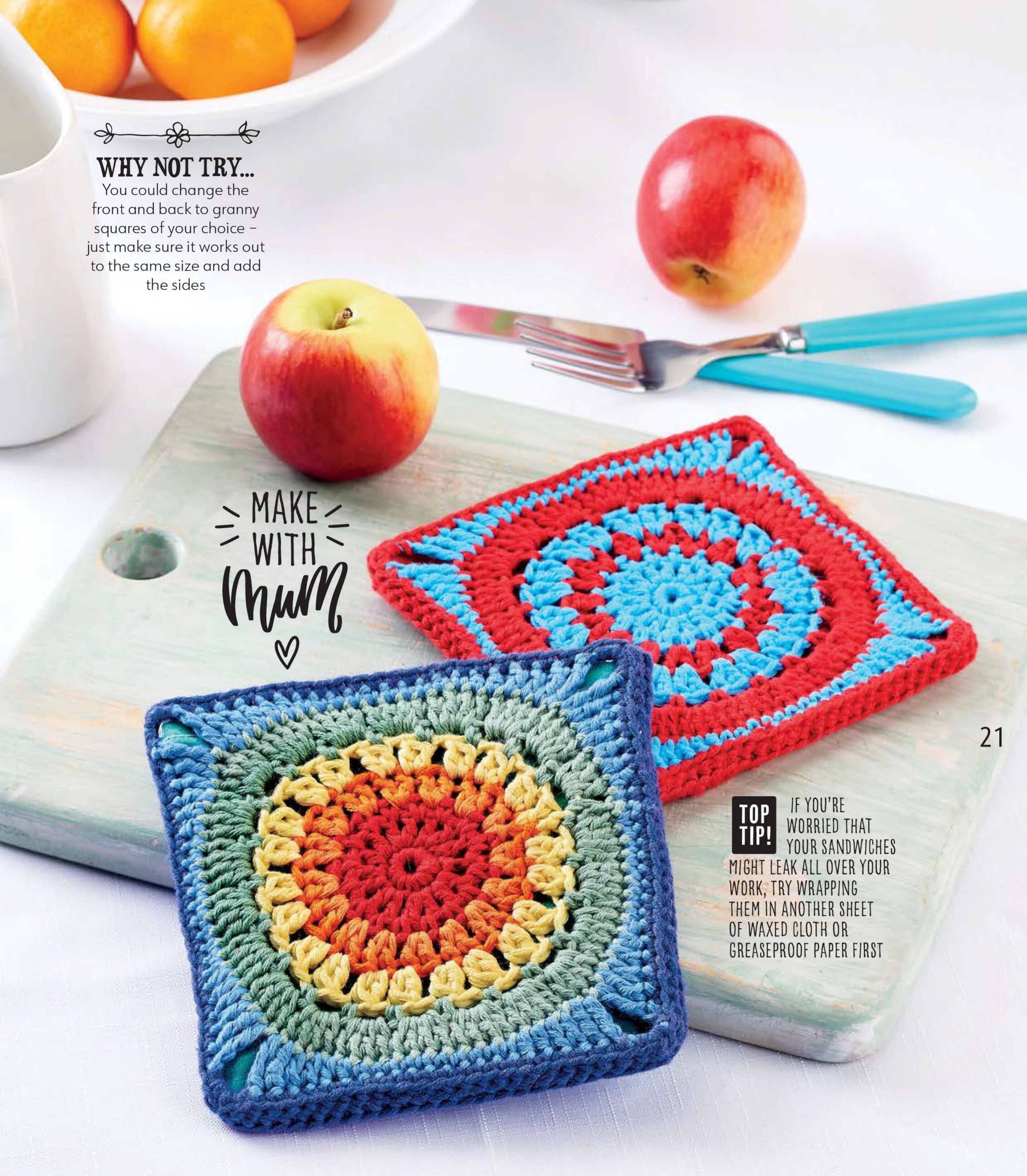
☐ Rnd 1: 3ch, 2tr (counts as 3tr) into first st, (miss a st, 2ch, 3tr) three times, 2ch, join with sl st to third of 3ch

☐ Rnd 2: 3ch, 2tr (counts as 3tr) backwards into the corner sp. * 1ch, 3tr, 2ch, 3tr into next corner sp, rep from * to last corner, 1ch, 3tr, 2ch and join to first set of tr with sl st

☐ Rnd 3: 3ch, 2tr (counts as 3tr) backwards into the corner sp. * 1ch, 3tr into next ch sp, 1ch, (3tr, 2ch, 3tr) into next corner sp, rep from * to last corner, 1ch, 3tr, 2ch and join to first set of tr with sl st

☐ Rnd 4: 3ch, 2tr (counts as 3tr) backwards into the corner sp. * (1ch, 3tr into next ch sp) twice, 1ch, (3tr, 2ch, 3tr) into next corner sp, rep from * to last corner, 1ch, 3tr, 2ch and join to first set of tr with sl st

☐ Rnd 5: 3ch, 2tr (counts as 3tr) backwards into the corner sp. * (1ch, 3tr into next ch sp,) three times, 1ch (3tr, 2ch, 3tr) into next corner sp, rep from * to last corner, 1ch, 3tr, 2ch and join to first set of tr with sl st



WHY NOT TRY...

You could change the front and back to granny squares of your choice – just make sure it works out to the same size and add the sides

TOP TIP! IF YOU'RE WORRIED THAT YOUR SANDWICHES MIGHT LEAK ALL OVER YOUR WORK, TRY WRAPPING THEM IN ANOTHER SHEET OF WAXED CLOTH OR GREASEPROOF PAPER FIRST

☐ Rnd 6: 3ch, 2tr (counts as 3tr) backwards into the corner sp.
* (1ch, 3tr into next ch sp,) four times, 1ch (3tr, 2ch, 3tr) into next corner space, rep from * to last corner, 1ch, 3tr, 2ch and join to first set of tr with sl st
☐ Rnd 7: work 1dc into each st and 4dc into each corner ch sp, join with a sl st, fasten off and block into a perfect square

TO MAKE UP

Join the Front and Back together by oversewing through the dc around three sides, matching the corners accurately. Cut plain waxed cotton or oil cloth, 15cm x 30cm, fold in half and sew French seams down both sides to make a neat pocket. Double hem the top of the pocket and pin. Cut two narrow strips of hook and loop fastener and tack inside the pocket, covering the hem. Topstitch the hem and fastener in place at the same time. Tuck the waxed cloth/oilcloth pocket inside the crochet pouch and oversew the top edges together with a coordinating thread

DESIGNER **CORINNE BRADD**

Evening Bag

This pretty clutch purse can be made to match any outfit of your choice

MAKE ME ON DAY 20

MAKE TODAY USE TONIGHT

DONE IN A DAY

Beginner

KIT LIST

★ 4ply yarn: Bunny Brown, Soft Fawn, Dewdrop Green, Petunia Pink ★ Crochet hook, 3mm ★ Embroidery needle ★ Buttons, three ★ Scissors ★ Tape measure

Purse: 9cm x 14.5cm

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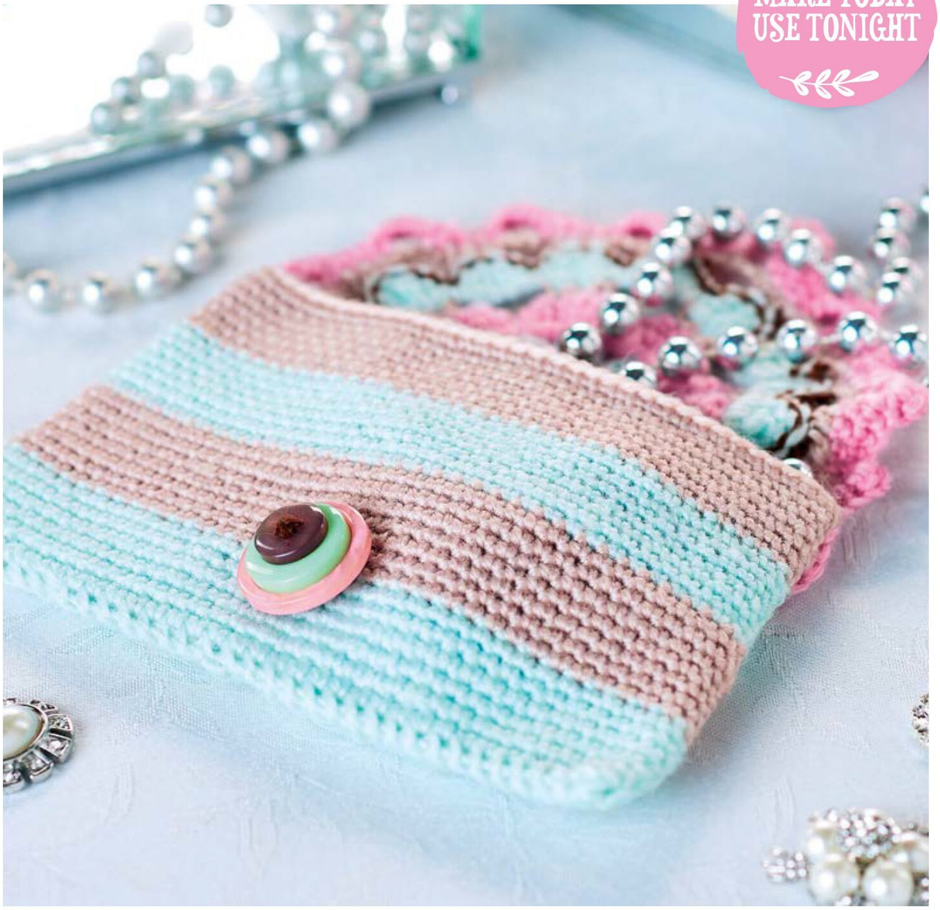
CROCHET MORE ROUNDS TO MAKE THE BAG LONGER, AND HOLD MORE BITS 'N' BOBS



FLOWER

Using 3mm hook and Bunny Brown make 4ch, join with a sl st to first ch to form a ring

☐ Rnd 1: 8dc into ring, join with a sl st to first st. Eight sts

Change to Soft Fawn

☐ Rnd 2: 2dc in each st to end, join with a sl st to first st. 16 sts

Change to Bunny Brown

☐ Rnd 3: working in back loops only one sl st in each st to end

Change to Dewdrop Green

☐ Rnd 4: 3ch (counts as 1tr), miss next st, (1ch, working in back loop only 1tr in next st) to end, 1ch, join with a sl st to first st

Fasten off Dewdrop Green, join Petunia Pink to any 1ch sp

☐ Rnd 5: (1dc, 1tr, 2dtr) in same 1ch sp, (2dtr, 1tr, 1dc) in next 1ch sp, * (1dc, 1tr, 2dtr) in next 1ch sp, (2dtr, 1tr, 1dc) in next 1ch sp, rep from * to end, join with a sl st to first st. Eight petals made

Fasten off Petunia Pink, join Soft Fawn to second dtr on any petal

☐ Rnd 6: 2dc, * 5ch, 1dc in second dtr of next petal, 1dc, rep from * to end, 5ch, join with a sl st to first st. 16 sts

Fasten off Soft Fawn, join Dewdrop Green to first dc on top of any petal

☐ Rnd 7: (1dc, 1tr, 1dtr) in same st, * (1dtr, 1tr, 1dc) in next st, (1dc, 1tr, 2dtr, 1tr, 1dc) in next 5ch sp **, (1dc, 1tr, 1dtr) in next st, rep from * six times then from * to ** once, join with a sl st to first st. 16 petals made

Change to Bunny Brown

☐ Rnd 8: working in back loops only work one sl st in each st, working two sl st in top two sts of each petal, join with a sl st to first st. 128 sts

Fasten off Bunny Brown, join Soft Fawn to first top st of any petal

☐ Rnd 9: 2dc, * 4ch, 1dc in top st of next petal, 1dc, rep from * to end, 4ch, join with a sl st to first st. 32 sts

Fasten off Soft Fawn, join Petunia Pink to second dc at top of any petal

☐ Rnd 10: 1dc in same st, 1dc in first ch of next 4ch, * 4ch, miss two ch, 1dc in next ch, 2dc, 1dc in next ch, rep from * to end, 4ch, miss two ch, 1dc in next ch, 1dc.

NOTE: halfway around rnd work 6ch instead of 4ch to create button loop, join with a sl st to first st. 64 sts

☐ Rnd 11: 1dc in each st to end, working (1dc, 2htr, 1dc) in each 4ch sp.

NOTE: work (2dc, 2htr, 2dc) in 6ch sp button loop, join with a sl st to next st. 66 sts

Fasten off

BODY

Using 3mm hook and Dewdrop Green make 70ch, turn

☐ Rnd 1: 1ch, work 1dc in each st to end, join with a sl st to first st, being careful not to twist ch

Work in foll stripe sequence: six rows Dewdrop Green, seven rows Soft Fawn, seven rows Dewdrop Green, seven rows Soft Fawn

☐ Rnds 2-28: 1dc in each st to end

Fasten off

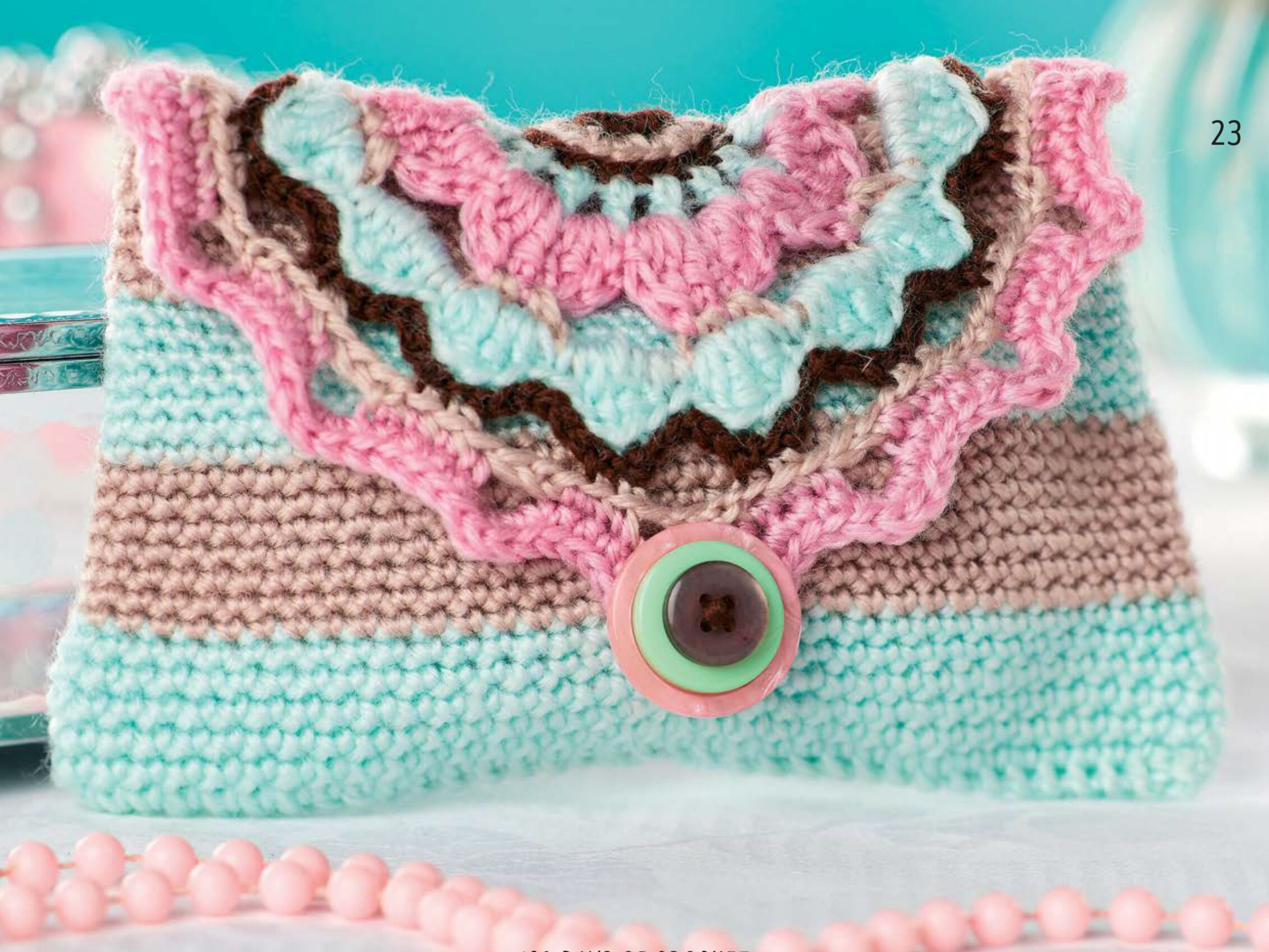
TO MAKE UP

Flatten Body so seam runs down centre back. Pin and sl st across base with 3mm hook and matching yarn. Position Flower on back of Body so centre is just above top of purse and button loop is at very top. Sew Flower into position with matching yarn and small running sts. Fold Flower over top of purse to make a flap and mark position of button loop. Make a stack of coordinating buttons and sew to marked area

PERFECT BUTTONS

When stacking buttons like this, sew the first, going in and out the holes several times, then bring your needle back out and through the second button before completing the stitch. Finish a few more stitches before adding the final button in the same way. Choosing ones with similarly spaced holes will make the job easier.

> "My daughter has already asked me to make one of these purses for her so she can keep her lip balms in it - it's the perfect size!"
>
> **CORINNE BRADD** DESIGNER

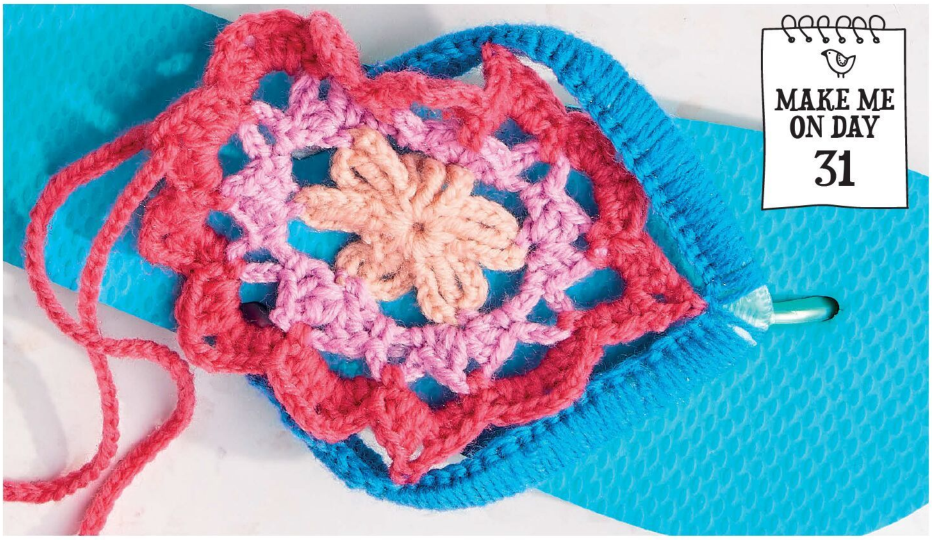


DONE IN A DAY

DESIGNER **JACKIE CARREIRA**

Mandala Sandals

Upcycle a plain pair of flip flops with this vibrant festival-inspired make


MAKE ME ON DAY 31

Intermediate

KIT LIST

- ★ DK yarn: Bright Cerise, Soft Lilac, Pale Pink, Cobalt Blue ★ Crochet hook 3mm ★ Standard flip flops, one pair
- ★ Tapestry needle
- ★ Scissors
- ★ Tape measure

Mandala: 12.5cm

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We say

"This project is fiddly so keep your hands relaxed"

BEFORE YOU START

THIS PROJECT INVOLVES STITCHES YOU MAY NOT HAVE COME ACROSS BEFORE, LIKE TRIPLE TREBLE – DISCOVER HOW TO MAKE THEM ON P142

STRAPS (MAKE 2)

Using 3mm hook and Cobalt Blue, start at bottom-right (heel end) of flip flop strap, work one row of dc evenly around straps to bottom-left
Fasten off

MANDALA FLOWER (MAKE 2)

Using 3mm hook and Pale Pink make 4ch, sl st in first ch to make a ring

☐ Rnd 1: 1ch, 1dc in ring, (5ch, 1trtr in ring, 5ch, 1dc in ring) six times, join with a sl st in first dc
Change to Soft Lilac, attaching to any trtr st

☐ Rnd 2: 1ch, 1dc, (6ch, 1dc in next trtr) five times, 6ch, join with a sl st in first dc

☐ Rnd 3: 1ch, 1dc in same st as sl st, 5ch, 2tr in same st as sl st, ([1dc, 6ch, 1dc] in next 6ch sp, [2tr, 3ch, 2tr] in next dc) five times, (1dc, 6ch, 1dc) in last 6ch sp, 1tr in same st as first dc, join with a sl st in second ch
Change to Bright Cerise, attaching to any 3ch sp

☐ Rnd 4: 1ch, 1dc in same 3ch sp, (6ch, 1dc in next ch sp) 11 times, 3ch, join with 1tr in first dc
NOTE: tr completes ch sp.
Now joining mandala to flip flop, ensure mandala is stretched so it lays flat

☐ Rnd 5: 1ch, 1dc in same ch sp around tr, 1ch, sl st in dc at centre of flip flop toe, 1ch, 3tr in same ch sp, sl st in next dc, * (3tr, 3ch, 3tr) in next 6ch sp, sl st in next dc *, 3tr in next ch sp, 1ch, sl st in dc at widest part of left foot strap, 1ch, 3tr in same 6ch sp, sl st in next dc, rep from * to * seven times, 3tr in next ch sp, 1ch, sl st in dc at widest part of right foot strap opposite same st on left strap, 1ch, 3tr in same ch sp, sl st in next dc, rep from * to * once, 2tr in next ch sp, sl st in first ch
Fasten off

ANKLE TIE (MAKE 2)

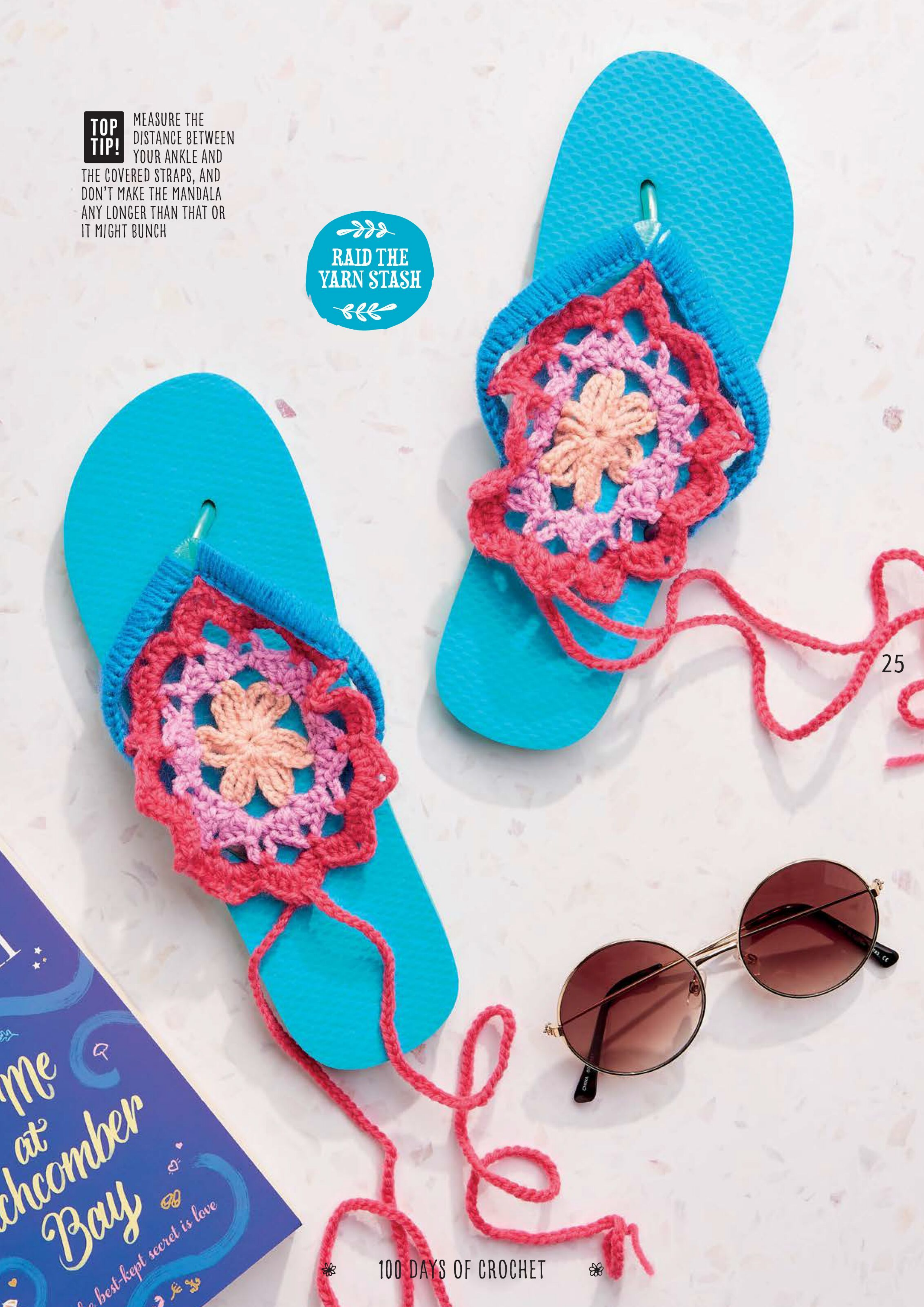
Using 3mm hook and Bright Cerise make 220ch
Thread one end through Rnd 5 ch sp opposite toe of flip flop
NOTE: make sure Ankle Tie is correct length before fastening off – if it's too loose, make a shorter ch. If it's too tight, make a longer ch. Alternatively, make longer tie to wrap around ankle more than once if desired

TO MAKE UP

Weave in all ends

MANDALA MAGIC

- ★ Perfect for a mindful evening of experimenting with colour and pattern, it's no wonder mandalas are so popular with crocheters.
- ★ Mandala translates as circle; the repeated patterns are used to symbolise unity, togetherness, and the cosmic balance of the universe.
- ★ Clusters of stitches can make different shapes within the mandala and you can build openwork structures with connecting chains and decorative edgings. They can be as simple or as advanced as you like, from basic crochet circles to textured and kaleidoscopic designs, formed building outwards from a central ring.
- ★ They're ideal mini makes to learn stitches or to craft on the go. Use them as coasters, artwork or clothes embellishments, or make them larger and fashion cushions, round blankets and wallhangings.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TOP TIP! MEASURE THE DISTANCE BETWEEN YOUR ANKLE AND THE COVERED STRAPS, AND DON'T MAKE THE MANDALA ANY LONGER THAN THAT OR IT MIGHT BUNCH

RAID THE YARN STASH

DONE IN A DAY

Intermediate

KIT LIST

★ DK yarn: Primrose (cream), Forget-Me-Not (blue), Cowslip (green), Bluebell (mid purple), Heather (pale purple), Honeysuckle (pink) ★ Crochet hook, 4mm ★ Stitch marker ★ Tapestry needle, two ★ Safety eyes: 6mm, two; 12mm, one ★ Snap fasteners, two ★ Stuffing ★ Embroidery thread, black ★ Dowel rod, 3mm x 20cm ★ Tapestry needle ★ Scissors ★ Tape measure

Sloth: 18cm long

We say

"The arms and legs have snap fasteners, so sloth can be hung up"

BEFORE YOU START

THIS PATTERN USES A BIG SAFETY EYE FOR THE NOSE, BUT YOU CAN ALSO EMBROIDER IT FOR A SOFTER FEEL

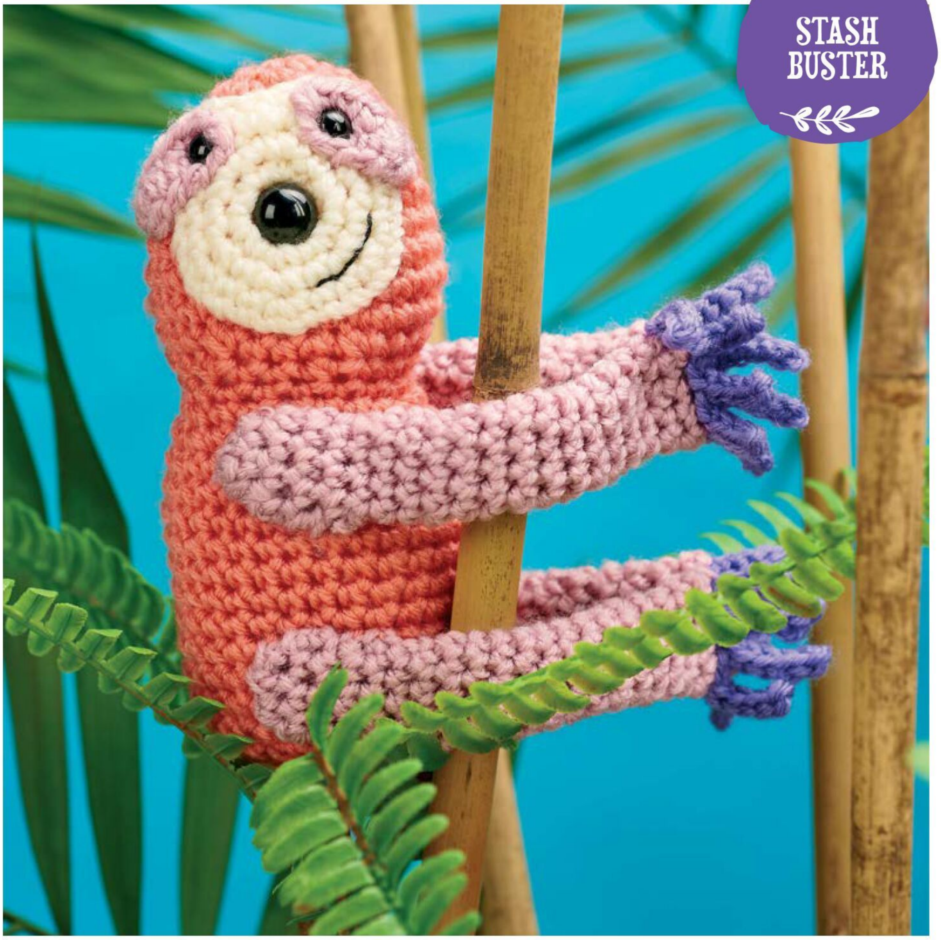
DESIGNER **HEATHER GIBBS**

Sloth Toy

MAKE ME ON DAY 33

Go wild and stitch this cute rainforest creature to hang with pride

STASH BUSTER



FACE

Using 4mm hook and Primrose make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

☐ Rnd 1: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts

☐ Rnd 2: (1dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 18 sts

☐ Rnd 3: (2dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 24 sts

☐ Rnd 4: 1dc, 3htr, 1dc, sl st in next two sts, 1dc, 3htr, 1dc, join with a sl st to next st. Ten sts

Fasten off, leaving a long tail

EYE (MAKE 2)

Using 4mm hook and Heather make 5ch

☐ Row 1: 3dc in second ch from hook, 2dc, 3dc in next st, turn and work along opposite side of ch as folls: 2dc, join with a sl st to top of first dc

Fasten off, leaving a long tail

HEAD & BODY

Using 4mm hook and Honeysuckle make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

☐ Rnd 1: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts

☐ Rnd 2: (1dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 18 sts

☐ Rnd 3: 1dc in each st to end

☐ Rnd 4: (2dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 24 sts

☐ Rnds 5-6: 1dc in each st to end

☐ Rnd 7: (3dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 30 sts

☐ Rnds 8-9: 1dc in each st to end

☐ Rnd 10: (3dc, dc2tog) to end. 24 sts

☐ Rnd 11: (2dc, dc2tog) to end. 18 sts

☐ Rnd 12: 1dc in each st to end

☐ Rnd 13: (2dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 24 sts

Sew Face onto Head. Sew on Eyes, slanting downwards slightly. Insert safety eyes for eyes and nose. Lightly stuff Head

☐ Rnd 14: (3dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 30 sts

☐ Rnds 15-25: 1dc in each st to end

☐ Rnd 26: (3dc, dc2tog) to

end. 24 sts
☐ Rnd 27: (2dc, dc2tog) to end. 18 sts
☐ Rnd 28: (1dc, dc2tog) to end. 12 sts
Stuff
☐ Rnd 29: dc2tog to end. Six sts
Cut yarn leaving a long tail, thread tail onto tapestry needle and thread through rem sts, fasten off

LIMB (MAKE 4)

Using 4mm hook and Heather make a magic ring, work 8dc into ring. Eight sts
☐ Rnds 1-17: 1dc in each st to end
Fasten off

CLAWS (MAKE 2)

NOTE: Pinch ends of Limb tog so there is four sts on each side.
Using 4mm hook and Bluebell, insert hook through first two sts, joining two sides tog as you work, * 5ch, one sl st in second ch from hook, one sl st in each of next two sts, one sl st in same st as beg 5ch **, one sl st in next st *, rep from * to * three times (four claws made) ending on ** for last claw
Fasten off

TO MAKE UP

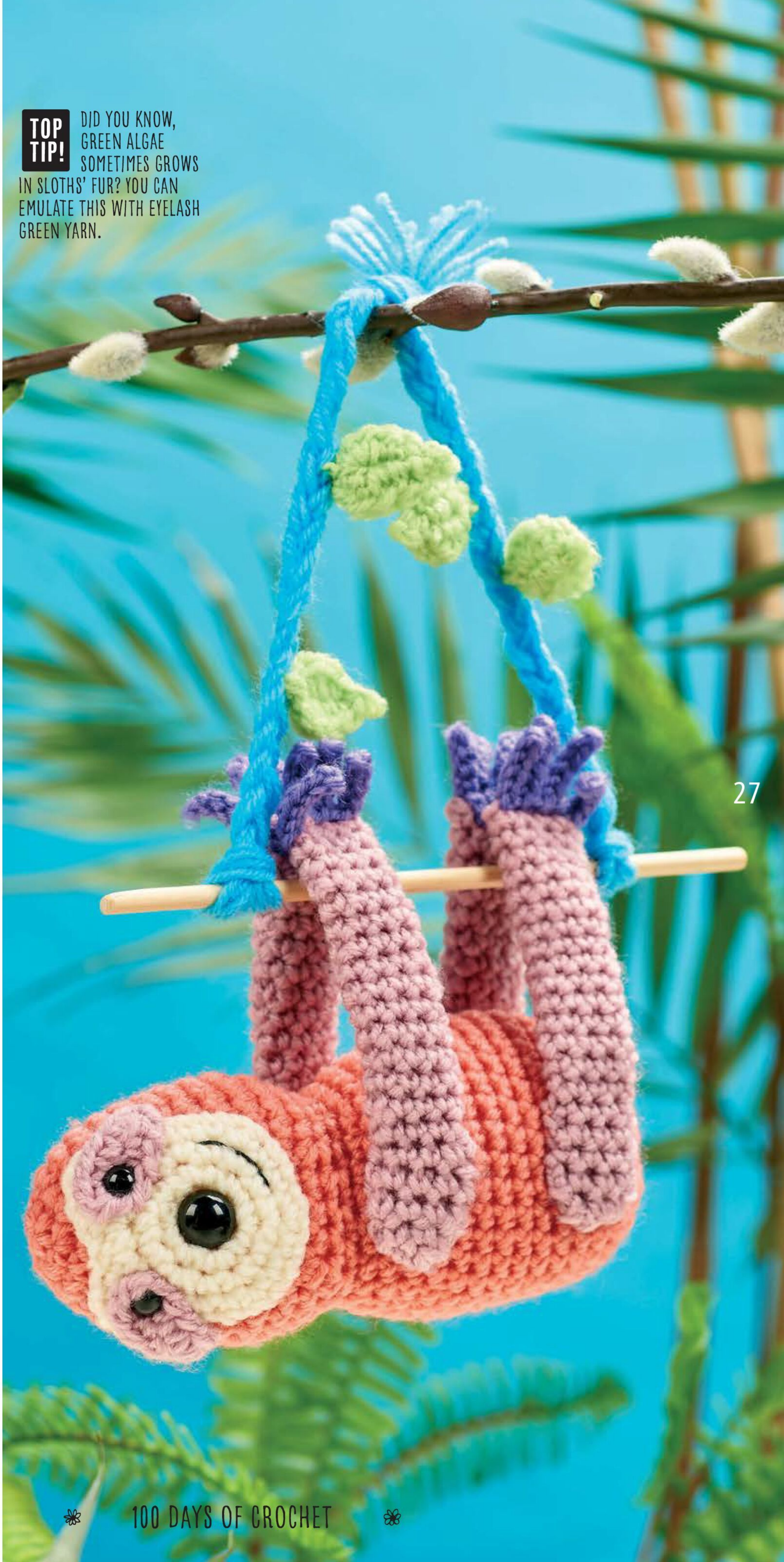
Weave in all ends. Using a tapestry needle and black thread, embroider mouth. Sew Limbs to Body. Add snap fasteners onto each Limb at base of Claws

LEAF (MAKE 4)

Using 4mm hook and Cowslip, make 5ch, one sl st in second ch from hook, 1dc, 1htr, 6htr in next ch, turn and work along opposite side of ch as folls: 1htr, 1dc, join with a sl st to first sl st
Fasten off, weave in ends

TO MAKE UP

Meas 12 76cm lengths of Forget-Me-Not, split into two sets. Fold one set in half and loop around dowel rod. Divide yarn into three sections and plait until 10cm of yarn is left – do not tie off. Rep with other six strands. Knot tog and trim ends to neaten. Sew Leaves randomly to plaited cord



TOP TIP! DID YOU KNOW, GREEN ALGAE SOMETIMES GROWS IN SLOTHS' FUR? YOU CAN EMULATE THIS WITH EYELASH GREEN YARN.

DESIGNER: **VANESSA MOONCIE**

Chunky Cowl Hood

Crochet a versatile accessory that can be worn as a cosy hood or cowl

DONE IN A DAY

Beginner

KIT LIST

★ Drops Eskimo Super Chunky wool yarn, 47 Light Beige Mix, 5 (9, 10) 50g balls ★ Crochet hook, 10mm ★ Blunt-ended yarn needle ★ Scissors ★ Tape measure

To fit: up to 51 (56, 61) cm head circumference

TENSION SQUARE

★ 8 sts x 7 rows
★ 10cm x 10cm
★ Over pattern
★ 10mm hook

We say

"If your tension square isn't correct, then change up or down in hook size to get to the desired tension"

BEFORE YOU START

THE HOOD IS WORKED IN ROWS OF ALTERNATING DOUBLE CROCHET AND TREBLE STITCHES (PICTURED ON THE DIAGRAM) TO CREATE THE TEXTURED PATTERN

MAKE ME ON DAY 34

STYLE FOR ALL SEASONS

MAIN PIECE

Using 10mm hook and yarn, make 57 (73, 77)ch

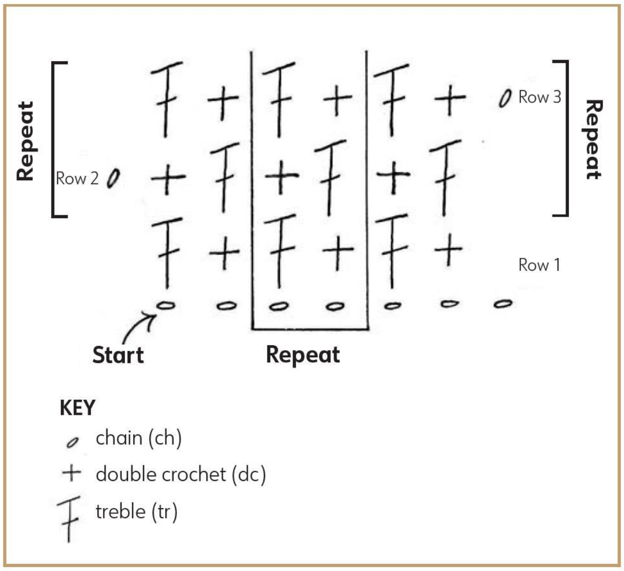
☐ Row 1: 1dc in second ch from hook, 1tr in next ch, (1dc in next ch, 1tr in next ch) to end, turn. 56 (72, 76) sts

☐ Row 2: 1ch (does not count as a st throughout), (1 dc in next tr, 1tr in next dc) to end, turn

Rep row 2 until work measures 40.5cm (51cm, 56cm). Fasten off, leaving a long tail of yarn at the end

TO MAKE UP

Use the tail of yarn to sew together the short edges, matching the rows. Weave in all ends



WHY NOT TRY...

Mattress stitch is a common method to sew together pieces – simply line up the two edges, thread your yarn needle and sew through each side as if you were lacing a pair of tennis shoes. When finished, weave in the yarn end as usual

TOP TIP! IF SUBSTITUTING FOR ANOTHER YARN, BE AWARE THAT SOME SUPER CHUNKY YARNS ARE DENSER THAN THE ONE USED FOR THIS PROJECT AND WILL CREATE A MUCH FIRMER FABRIC – COMPARE BALL BANDS TO FIND A SUITABLE SUBSTITUTE

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designs to create
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DONE IN A DAY

★

Intermediate

KIT LIST

★ DK yarn: Moonshine Silver, Blackberry Purple, Sunshine Yellow, Heatwave Orange ★ Crochet hook, 3.5mm ★ Stuffing ★ Safety eyes: 3mm, two; 9mm, two ★ Tapestry needle ★ Scissors ★ Tape measure

Mama: 19cm tall
Baby: 7cm tall

We say

"You can opt for natural browns for more realistic makes, or get creative with rainbow colours"

BEFORE YOU START

THIS PROJECT IS ONLY SMALL BUT BE SURE TO MAINTAIN THE SAME TENSION THROUGHOUT TO ENSURE THE LIMBS ARE THE SAME SIZE

DESIGNER **IRENE STRANGE**

Cuddly 'Roos

MAKE ME ON DAY 45

Craft a loveable mama and baby kangaroo duo in a hop, skip and a jump

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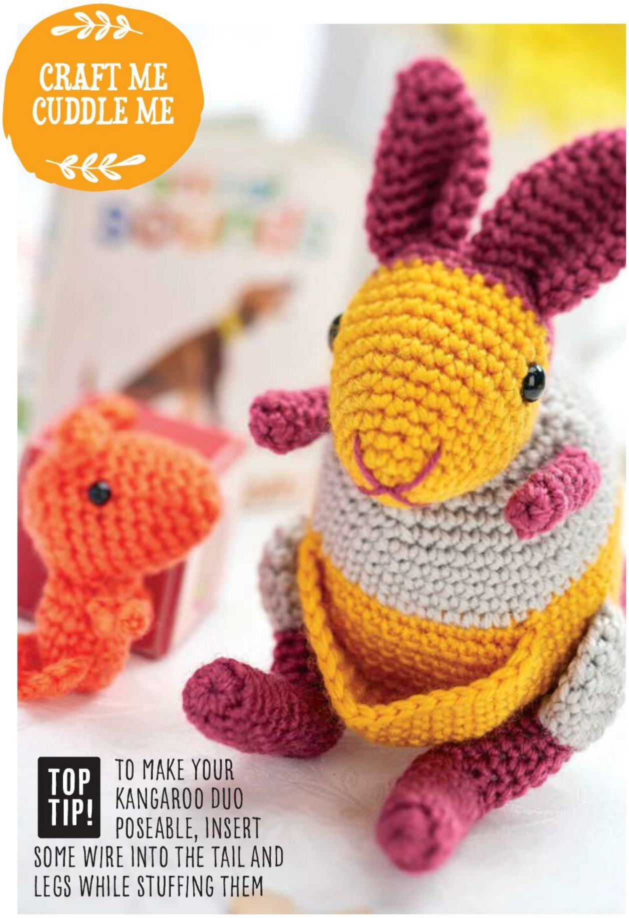


TOP TIP! TO MAKE YOUR KANGAROO DUO POSEABLE, INSERT SOME WIRE INTO THE TAIL AND LEGS WHILE STUFFING THEM

MAMA 'ROO

TAIL & BODY

Using 3.5mm hook and Blackberry Purple make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

☐ Rnds 1-3: 1dc in each st to end

☐ Rnds 4-7: 2dc in next st, 1dc in each st to end. Ten sts

☐ Rnds 8-9: 1dc in each st to end

☐ Rnd 10: 2dc in next st, 1dc in each st to end. 11 sts

☐ Rnd 11: 1dc in each st to end

☐ Rnds 12-13: rep Rnds 10-11. 12 sts

Change to Moonshine Silver

☐ Rnds 14-25: rep Rnd 10 12 times. 24 sts

Change to Sunshine Yellow

☐ Rnd 26: (2dc in next st, 1dc) to end. 36 sts

☐ Rnd 27: (2dc in next st, 2dc) to end. 48 sts

☐ Rnds 28-36: 1dc in each st to end

☐ Row 37: miss 18 sts, 12ch, one sl st into 19th st from start, turn

☐ Row 38: 1ch, 1dc in each of next 12 ch. 12 sts

☐ Rows 39-41: 1ch, 1dc in each st to end

☐ Row 42: 1ch, dc2tog, 8dc, dc2tog. Ten sts

☐ Row 43: 1ch, dc2tog, 6dc, dc2tog. Eight sts

☐ Row 44: 1ch, dc2tog, 4dc, dc2tog. Six sts

Fasten off, fold down into body to make inside of pouch and sew in place

Change to Moonshine Silver

NOTE: cont working in rnds, using other side of 12ch to start rnd

☐ Rnds 45-49: 1dc in each st to end. 42 sts

☐ Rnd 50: (dc2tog, 5dc) to end. 36 sts

☐ Rnd 51: (dc2tog, 4dc) to end. 30 sts

☐ Rnd 52: (dc2tog, 3dc) to end. 24 sts

☐ Rnd 53: (dc2tog, 2dc) to end. 18 sts

Fasten off

HEAD

Using 3.5mm hook and Sunshine Yellow make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

☐ Rnd 1: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts

☐ Rnd 2 and every even-numbered rnd: 1dc in each st to end

☐ Rnd 3: (2dc in next st, 1dc) to end. 18 sts

☐ Rnd 5: (2dc in next st, 2dc) to end. 24 sts

☐ Rnd 7: (2dc in next st, 3dc) to end. 30 sts

☐ Rnds 8-11: 1dc in each st to end

Change to Blackberry Purple

☐ Rnds 12-13: 1dc in each st to end

☐ Rnd 14: (dc2tog, 3dc) to end. 24 sts

Insert safety eyes in Rnd 9 approx 11 sts apart

☐ Rnd 15: (dc2tog, 2dc) to end. 18 sts

☐ Rnd 16: (dc2tog, 1dc) to end. 12 sts

Stuff

☐ Rnd 17: (dc2tog) to end. Six sts

Fasten off

LEG (MAKE 2)

Using 3.5mm hook and Blackberry Purple make a magic ring, work 8dc into ring. Eight sts

☐ Rnds 1-16: 1dc in each st to end
Change to Moonshine Silver
☐ Rnd 17: 2dc in each st to end. 16 sts
☐ Rnd 18: (2dc in next st, 1dc) to end. 24 sts
☐ Rnd 19: (2dc in next st, 3dc) to end. 30 sts
☐ Rnd 20: 1dc in each st to end
☐ Rnd 21: (dc2tog, 3dc) to end. 24 sts
☐ Rnd 22: (dc2tog, 2dc) to end. 18 sts
☐ Rnd 23: (dc2tog, 1dc) to end. 12 sts
Fasten off

ARM (MAKE 2)

Using 3.5mm hook and Blackberry Purple make a magic ring, work 5dc into ring. Five sts
☐ Rnds 1-7: 1dc in each st to end
Fasten off

EAR (MAKE 2)

Using 3.5mm hook and Blackberry Purple make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts
☐ Rnd 1: (2dc in next st, 2dc) to end. Eight sts
☐ Rnd 2: (2dc in next st, 3dc) to end. Ten sts
☐ Rnd 3: (2dc in next st, 4dc) to end. 12 sts
☐ Rnd 4: (2dc in next st, 5dc) to end. 14 sts
☐ Rnd 5: (2dc in next st, 6dc) to end. 16 sts
☐ Rnds 6-8: 1dc in each st to end
Fasten off

TO MAKE UP

Sew in ends. Stuff Body. Sew Head closed and sew onto Body. Stuff Legs and sew each one flat to Body. Fold Blackberry Purple part of Legs to form a right angle and sew in place. Sew Arms to Body and Ears to top of Head. Using Blackberry Purple embroider a criss-cross nose

BABY 'ROO

HEAD

Using 3.5mm hook and Heatwave Orange make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts
☐ Rnd 1: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts
☐ Rnds 2-3: 1dc in each st to end
☐ Rnd 4: (2dc in next st, 1dc) to end. 18 sts
☐ Rnds 5-9: 1dc in each st to end
☐ Rnd 10: (dc2tog, 1dc) to end. 12 sts
Insert safety eyes in Rnd 6 approx seven sts apart
Stuff
☐ Rnd 11: (dc2tog) to end. Six sts
Fasten off

BODY

Using 3.5mm hook and Heatwave Orange make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts
☐ Rnd 1: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts
☐ Rnds 2-4: 1dc in each st to end
☐ Rnd 5: (dc2tog) to end. Six sts
Stuff
Fasten off

EAR (MAKE 2)

Using 3.5mm hook and Heatwave Orange make a ring, work (1dc, 1htr, 2tr, 1htr, 1dc) into ring. Six sts
Fasten off

ARM (MAKE 2)

Using 3.5mm hook and Heatwave Orange attach yarn to side of Body, make 5ch
☐ Row 1: starting second ch from hook 1dc in each ch to end, join with a sl st to Body. Four sts
Fasten off

LEG (MAKE 2)

Using 3.5mm hook and Heatwave Orange attach yarn to side of Body, make 5ch
☐ Row 1: starting second ch from hook work 1dc in each of next three ch, 3htr in next ch, join with a sl st to Body slightly higher than where yarn is attached. Six sts
Fasten off

TAIL

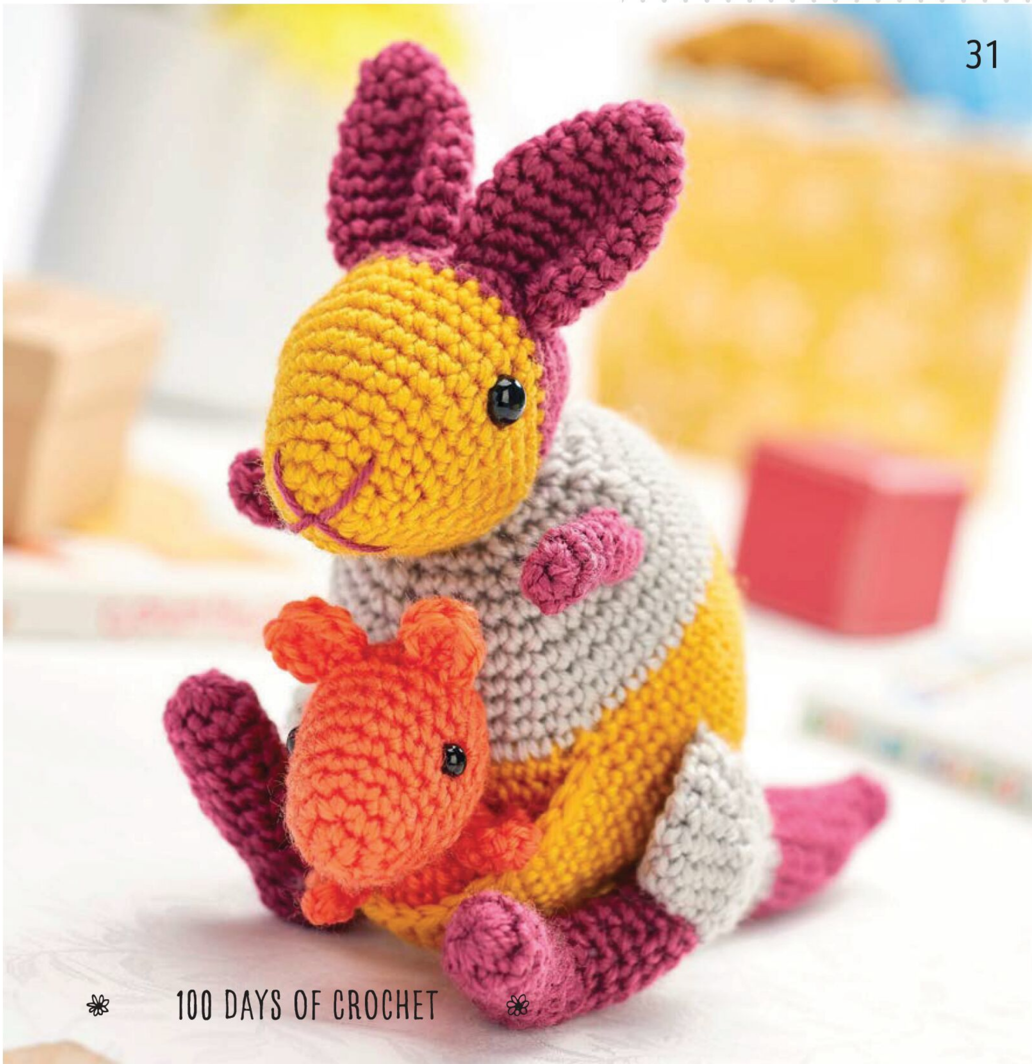
Using 3.5mm hook and Heatwave Orange attach yarn to back of Body, make 9ch
☐ Row 1: starting second ch from hook work 1dc in each of next six ch, 1htr in each of next two ch, join with a sl st to Body. Eight sts
Fasten off

TO MAKE UP

Sew in ends. Sew Head and Body tog. Sew Ears to top of Head

"This toy only uses the most common stitches - dc, ch, tr and htr - making it a good introduction to amigurumi"

IRENE STRANGE
DESIGNER



DONE IN A DAY

Beginner

KIT LIST

★ DK yarn: pink, lilac, white ★ Crochet hook, 5mm ★ Beads ★ Embroidery thread: pink, purple, blue ★ Tapestry needle ★ Scissors ★ Tape measure

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We say

"Make sure the head is facing the right way when sewing it onto the strap"

BEFORE YOU START

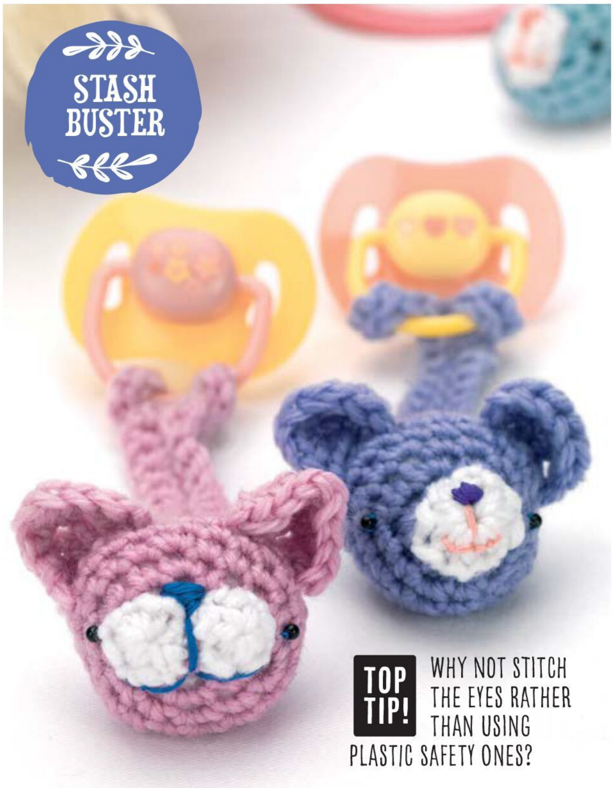
TO GET AN EVEN EDGE, PUT YOUR HOOK THROUGH BOTH TOP LOOPS OF THE CHAIN STITCH WHEN WORKING THE FIRST ROW

DESIGNER **IRENE STRANGE**

Dummy Buddies

Treat a little one to these adorable animal-themed pacifier holders

STASH BUSTER



TOP TIP! WHY NOT STITCH THE EYES RATHER THAN USING PLASTIC SAFETY ONES?

MAKE ME ON DAY 47

BASE STRAP

Using 5mm hook and pink or lilac yarn make 31ch

NOTE: add extra chains if you want a longer strap

☐ Row 1: 1dc in second ch from hook, 1dc in each st to end. 30 sts

☐ Row 2: turn, 1ch, 1dc in each of next 12 sts. 12 sts Join with sl st to first dc of rnd

☐ Row 3: turn, 1ch, 1dc in each of next 12 sts

Fasten off

HEAD

Using 5mm hook and same colour yarn as strap use magic loop method to form a loop and work 6dc into this. Six sts

☐ Rnd 1: work 2dc into each st. 12 sts

☐ Rnd 2: (1dc in first st, 2dc in next st) six times. 18 sts

☐ Rnd 3: (1dc in first two sts, 2dc into next st) six times. 24 sts

☐ Rnd 4: 1dc into each st

☐ Rnd 5: (1dc in first two sts, dc2tog) six times. 18 sts

☐ Rnd 6: (1dc in first st, dc2tog) six times. 12 sts

Stuff firmly

☐ Rnd 7: (dc2tog) six times. Six sts

Fasten off, sew up opening

TO MAKE UP

Sew head to lower edge of strap (furthest from loop), hiding any loose threads inside stuffing

Complete faces as folls:

LILAC BEAR

EARS (MAKE 2 IN LILAC)

Using 5mm hook use magic loop method to form a loop and work 5dc into this. Five sts

☐ Row 1: turn, 1ch, 1dc in first st, 2htr in each of next three sts, 1dc in last st. Eight sts

Fasten off

NOSE

Using 5mm hook and white yarn use magic loop method to form a loop and work 9dc into this, tighten ring, sl st into first st to complete

Fasten off

TO MAKE UP

Sew ears and nose to head, add beads for eyes and embroider nose and mouth

PINK CAT

EARS (MAKE 2 IN PINK)

Using 5mm hook make 6ch

☐ Row 1: 1dc in second ch, 1htr, 2tr, 1htr, 1dc. Six sts Row 2: turn, 1ch, 1dc in each of next two sts, 1dc in next st, 1htr in same st, 1htr in next st, 1dc in same st, 1dc in each of next two sts, join with sl st to first dc of rnd. Eight sts

Fasten off

NOSE (MAKE 2)

Using 5mm hook and white yarn use magic loop method to form a loop and work 5dc into this, tighten ring, sl st into first st to complete. Five sts

TO MAKE UP

Sew two nose circles side by side along centre line of head. Embroider nose and mouth. Sew ears to top of head and add beads for eyes

BONUS PROJECT
YOU CAN MAKE ME INSTEAD

Beginner

KIT LIST

★ DK yarn: grey, cream, pink ★ Crochet hook, 4mm ★ Safety eyes, 7mm, two ★ Stuffing ★ Wooden curtain ring, 6cm diameter ★ Bell, rattle ball, noise maker or squeaker ★ Tapestry needle ★ Scissors ★ Tape measure

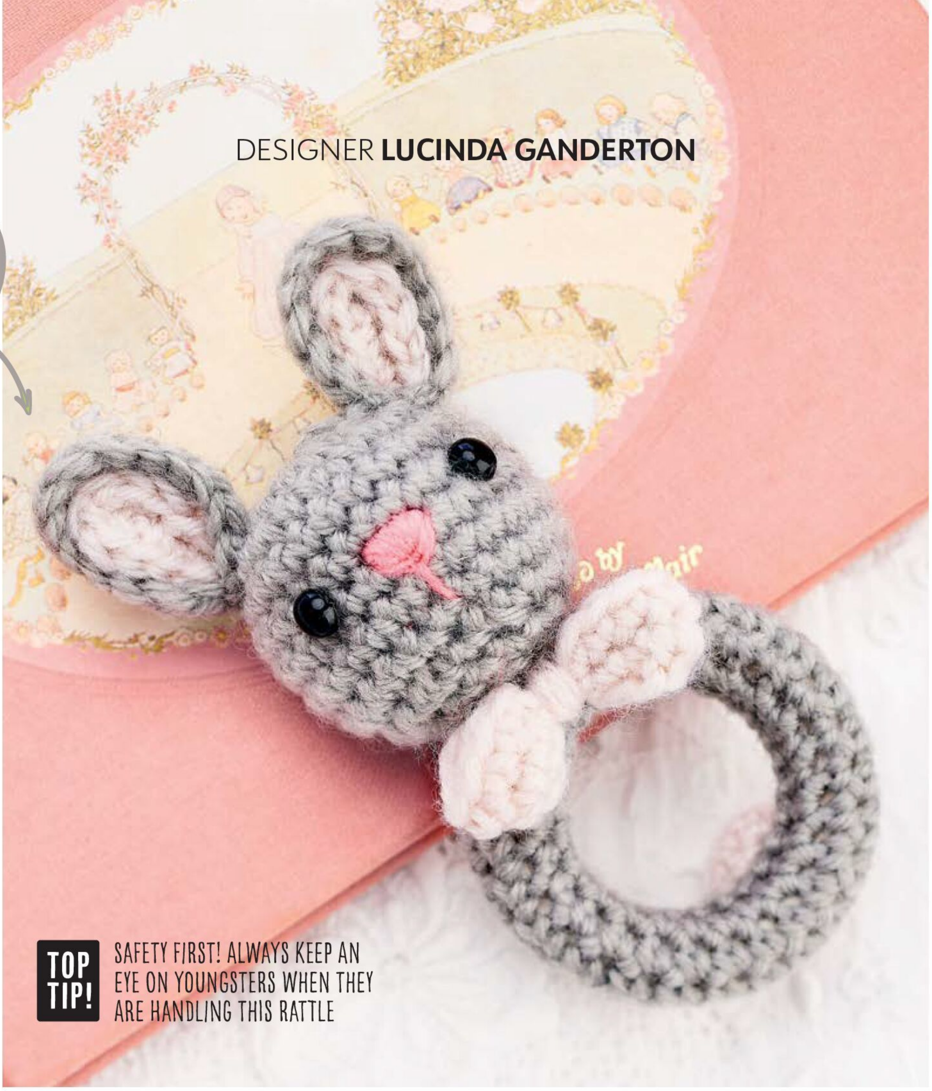
Bunny rattle: 13cm tall

We say

"This cute bunny rattle can be changed into other animals by switching the ears"

BEFORE YOU START

ALTHOUGH SAFETY EYES ARE DESIGNED TO BE EXTRA SECURE, WE RECOMMEND EMBROIDERING THE EYES INSTEAD AND STITCHING THE EARS IN PLACE EXTRA SECURELY, TO AVOID CHOKING HAZARDS



DESIGNER **LUCINDA GANDERTON**

TOP TIP! SAFETY FIRST! ALWAYS KEEP AN EYE ON YOUNGSTERS WHEN THEY ARE HANDLING THIS RATTLE

HEAD

Using 4mm hook and Grey, make a magic ring, work 1ch, 8dc into ring. Eight sts

☐ Rnd 1: 2dc in each st to end. 16 sts

☐ Rnd 2: (1dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 24 sts

☐ Rnds 3-7: 1dc in each st to end

Insert safety eyes between Rnds 4-5, approx six sts apart

☐ Rnd 8: (dc2tog, 1dc) to end. 16 sts

☐ Rnd 9: 1dc in each st to end

Stuff firmly

☐ Rnd 10: (dc2tog) to end. Eight sts

Fasten off, leaving a long tail

OUTER EAR (MAKE 2)

Using 4mm hook and Grey yarn, make 6ch

☐ Rnd 1: 1dc in second ch from hook, (1dc in 1ch) three times, 3dc in final ch, turn 180° and work 1dc in base of ch four times. Turn over

☐ Rnd 2: 1ch, (1dc in 1dc) five times, (2dc in 1dc) twice, (1dc in 1dc) five times

Fasten off, leaving 15cm yarn tail. Darn in other tail

INNER EAR (MAKE 2)

Using 4mm hook and Cream, make 5ch

☐ Rnd 1: 1dc in second ch from hook, (2dc) in each of next two ch, 3dc in next ch, turn and work along opposite side of ch as folls: 3. 11 sts

Fasten off, leaving a long tail

RING COVER

Using 4mm hook and Grey, make 25ch, join with a sl st to first ch to form a ring

☐ Rnd 1-5: 1dc in each ch to end. 25 sts

Fasten off, leaving a long tail

BOW

Using 4mm hook and Cream, make 15ch, join with a sl st to first ch to form a ring

☐ Rnds 1-3: 1dc in each st to end. 15 sts

Fasten off, leaving a long tail

TAIL

Using 4mm hook and Cream, make a magic ring, work 1ch, 6dc into ring. Six sts

☐ Rnd 1: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts

☐ Rnd 2: 1dc in each st to end

☐ Rnd 3: (dc2tog) to end. Six sts

Fasten off, leaving a long tail

TO MAKE UP

Finish stuffing Head, adding a bell. Sew Inner Ears to Outer Ears, pinch in half lengthways and secure with a few sts along bottom edge. Sew Ears either side of Head between Rnds 2-3. Embroider nose with two strands of Pink. Slip Cover around curtain ring, oversew top and bottom edge around inside and sew in ends. Sew Head to outside of ring. Fold yarn tail on Bow in half and wrap tightly five times around middle. Stitch Bow securely to ring, just under bunny's chin. Stuff Tail lightly and sew to centre-back of Ring

DESIGNER: **LISA GENTRY**

Men's Beanie

MAKE ME ON DAY 48

Give the lads a trendy hat that's nice and cosy while still looking masculine

Beginner

KIT LIST

★ Aran yarn: (A) Brown, (B) Grey, one 100g skein of each ★ Crochet hook, 5mm ★ Tapestry needle ★ Scissors ★ Tape measure

Small/medium hat: 52cm circumference

Large/X-large hat: 56cm circumference

TENSION SQUARE

- ★ 14 sts x 4 rnds
- ★ 10cm x 10.75cm
- ★ Double crochet
- ★ 5mm hook

We say

"Mostly crocheted in trebles, this hat is a simple introduction to shaping"

BEFORE YOU START

IF YOU WANT TO CROCHET A CUSTOM-SIZE HAT, INCREASE OR DECREASE THE NUMBER OF TREBLES STITCHED ON RND 6

Using 5mm hook and yarn A, make 4ch; join with sl st to form a ring

☐ Rnd 1 (RS): 3ch (counts as first tr, now and throughout), 11tr in ring; join with sl st to first tr. 12 tr

☐ Rnd 2: 3ch, tr in same st, 2tr in next tr and in each tr around; join with sl st to first tr. 24 tr

☐ Rnd 3: 3ch, 2tr in next tr, (tr in next tr, 2tr in next tr) around; join with sl st to first tr. 36 tr

☐ Rnd 4: 3ch, tr in next tr, 2tr in next tr, (tr in next 2tr, 2tr in next tr) around; join with sl st to first tr. 48 tr

☐ Rnd 5: 3ch, tr in next 2tr, 2tr in next tr, (tr in next 3tr, 2tr in next tr) around; join with sl st to first tr. 60 tr

☐ Rnd 6 (size small/medium only): 3ch, tr in next 3tr, 2tr in next tr, (tr in next 4tr, 2tr in next tr) around; join with sl st to first tr. 72 tr

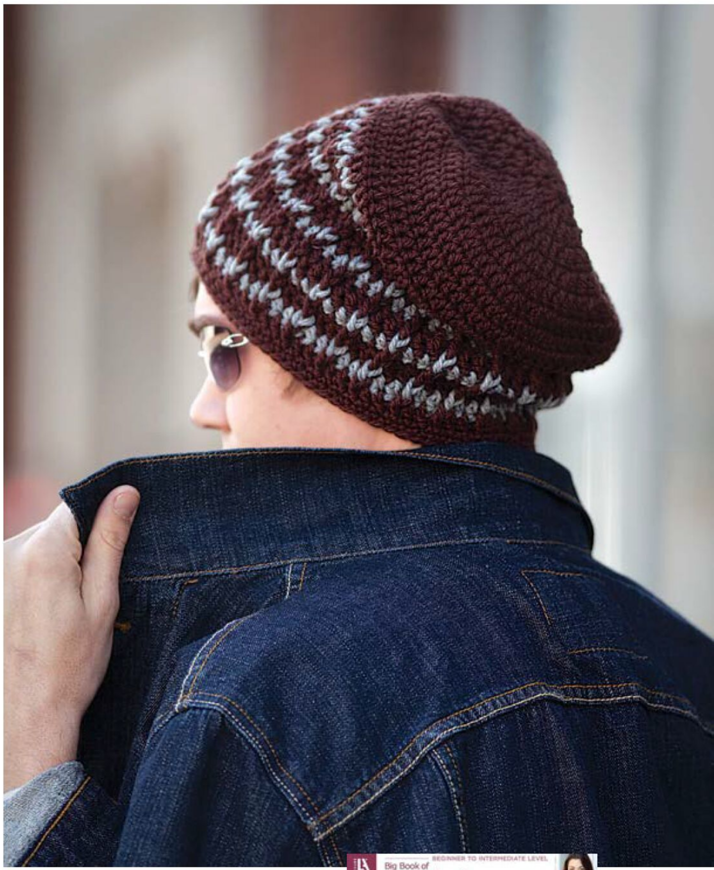
☐ Rnd 6 (size large/x-large only): 3ch, tr in next 3tr, 2tr in next tr, * tr in next 4tr, 3tr in next tr, tr in next 4tr, 2tr in next tr, tr in next 4tr, 3tr in next tr; rep from * around; join with sl st to first tr. 78 tr

☐ Rnds 7-10: 3ch, tr in next tr and in each tr around; join with sl st to first tr

☐ Rnd 11: 3ch, tr in next tr and in each tr around; join yarn B with sl st to first tr; do not cut yarn A

☐ Rnd 12: 2ch (counts as first htr, now and throughout), htr in next tr, work FPtr around next tr, * htr in next 2tr, work FPtr around next tr; rep from * around; join yarn A with sl st to first htr; do not cut yarn B.
24 FPtr and 48 htr (size small/medium only) / 26 FPtr and 52htr (size large/X-large only)

☐ Rnd 13: 3ch, tr in next htr, work FPtr around next FPtr, (tr in next 2htr, work FPtr around next FPtr) around; join with sl st to first tr

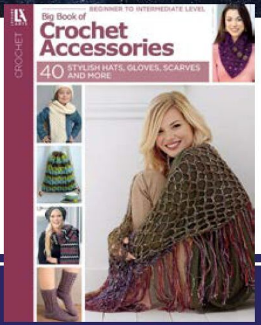


☐ Rnd 14: 3ch, tr in next tr, work FPtr around next FPtr, (tr in next 2tr, work FPtr around next FPtr) around; join yarn B with sl st to first tr; do not cut yarn A

☐ Rnd 15: 2ch, htr in next tr, work FPtr around next FPtr, (htr in next 2tr, work FPtr around next FPtr) around; join yarn A with sl st to first htr; do not cut yarn B

☐ Rnds 16-25: rep Rnds 13-15 three times, then rep Rnd 13 once more
Cut yarn B

☐ Rnds 26-27 (band): 1ch, dc in same st as joining and in each st around; join with sl st to first dc
Finish off



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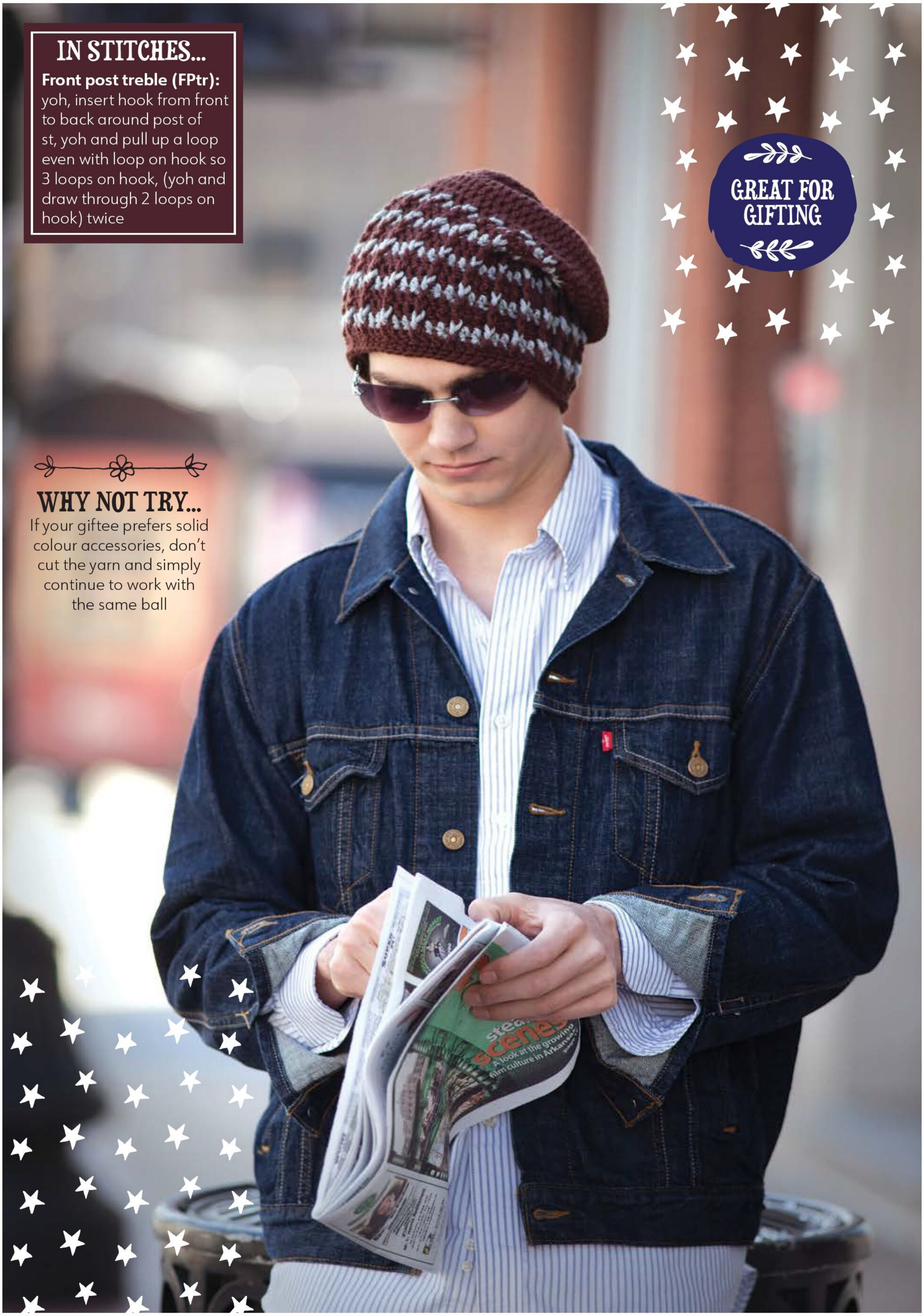


IN STITCHES...

Front post treble (FPtr): yoh, insert hook from front to back around post of st, yoh and pull up a loop even with loop on hook so 3 loops on hook, (yoh and draw through 2 loops on hook) twice

WHY NOT TRY...

If your giftee prefers solid colour accessories, don't cut the yarn and simply continue to work with the same ball

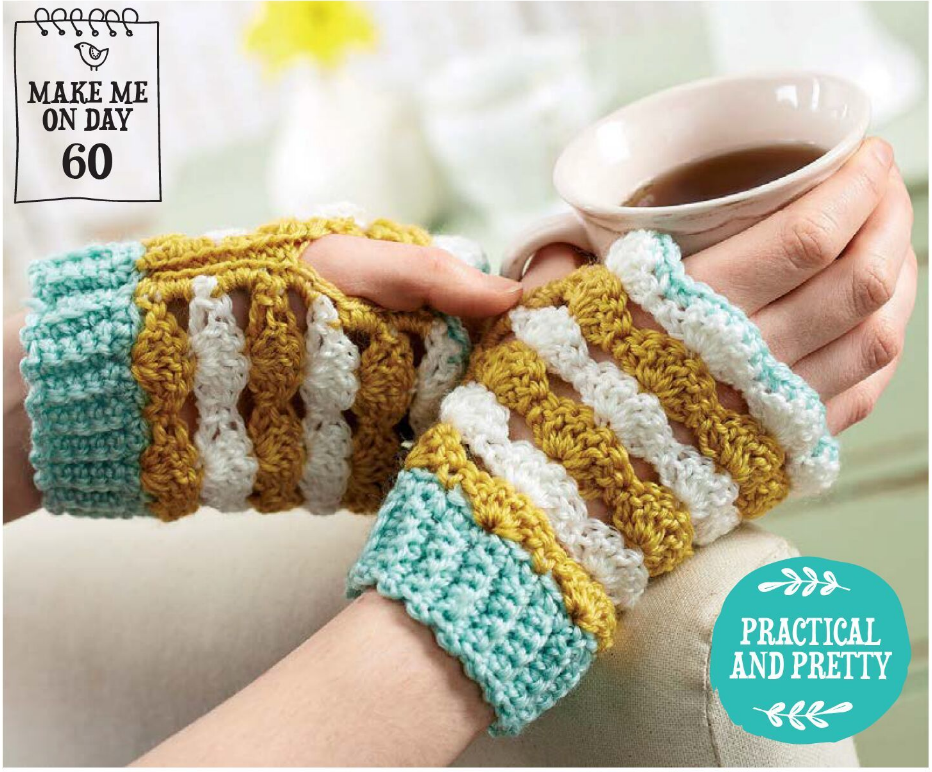
GREAT FOR GIFTING

DONE IN A DAY

DESIGNER **TRACEY TODHUNTER**

Trendy Mitts

Stay stylish while keeping your hands warm and comfortable when it's chilly



MAKE ME ON DAY 60

PRACTICAL AND PRETTY

Intermediate

KIT LIST

★ DK yarn: Chalk Green, Antique Gold, China White ★ Crochet hook, 4mm ★ Tapestry needle ★ Scissors ★ Tape measure

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We say

"The shell stitch pattern on these cute wristwarmers is easier than it might appear"

BEFORE YOU START

USE THE FIRST AND LAST DC WORKED ON THE RIBBING TO GUIDE YOU WHEN CROCHETING THE FIRST ROW OF STITCHES FOR THE MAIN PIECE

WRISTBAND

Using 4mm hook and Chalk Green make 6ch

☐ Row 1: 1dc in second ch from hook, 1dc in each st to end. Five sts

☐ Rows 2-36: 1ch (does not count as a st), 1dc, working in back loops only 3dc, 1dc, turn

MAIN BODY

Rotate work 90°

☐ Row 1: 1ch (does not count as a st), 37dc across long edge of Wristband, changing to Antique Gold on final yoh of last st

Fasten off Chalk Green, leaving a long tail

☐ Row 2: 1ch (does not count as a st), 1dc, miss two sts, 5tr in next st, (miss two sts, 1dc, miss two sts, 5tr in next st) five times, miss two sts, 1dc changing to China White on final yoh, turn. Six shells

☐ Row 3: (5ch, 1dc in centre of next shell) six times, 2ch, 1tr in last st, turn

☐ Row 4: 1ch (does not count as a st), 1dc, miss 2ch, (5tr in next st, 1dc in next 5ch loop) five times, 5tr in next st, 1dc in third of 5ch from row below, turn. Six shells

Work in foll two-rnd stripe sequence: (Antique Gold, China White) twice

☐ Rows 5-12: rep Rows 3-4 four times Change to Chalk Green

☐ Row 13: 1ch (does not count as a st), 1dc in each st to end Fasten off

SIDE EDGING

With RS facing join Antique Gold to sp between Chalk Green Wristband and Rnd 1 of Main Body

☐ Row 1: using 4mm hook 1ch, 1dc in same sp, 3dc in sp between Rows 2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 and 10-11

Fasten off, rejoin Antique Gold to top of opposite side, working 3dc in sp between Rows 10-11, 8-9, 6-7, 4- 5 and 2-3

Fasten off

TO MAKE UP

Sew in ends. Sew side seam using long tails of Chalk Green for Wristband and Antique Gold for Main Body, leaving a gap for thumb

WHY NOT TRY...

Make these in these in a vibrant assortment of colours to cheer you and giftees up on dull days

DESIGNER **LUCINDA GANDERTON**

Wardrobe Set

MAKE ME ON DAY 61

This padded hanger and scent sachet will keep your clothes looking and smelling fresh

Beginner

KIT LIST

★ DK yarn: Soft Lilac, Plush Pink, Golden Yellow ★ Crochet hook, 3.5mm ★ Coat hanger ★ Wadding, 5cm x 160cm ★ Fabric: 15cm x 100cm; 10cm squares, two ★ Paper, 10cm squares, two ★ Sewing needle and thread ★ Tapestry needle ★ Scissors ★ Tape measure ★ Dried lavender

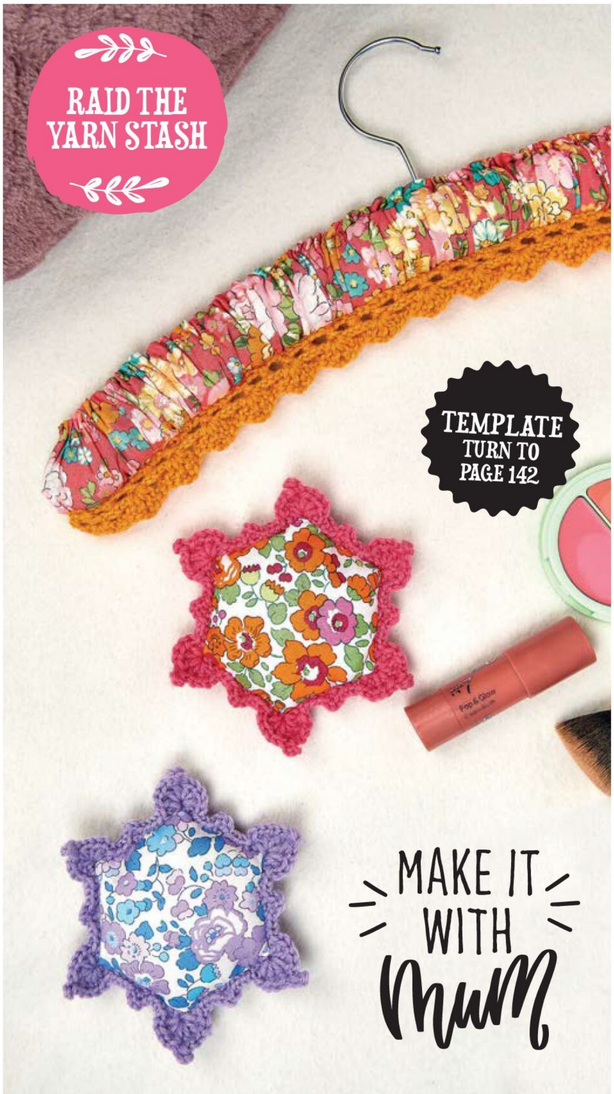
Hanger: 43cm long
Sachet: 13cm wide

We say

"Wind an old, clean pair of tights around the hanger as zero-waste padding"

BEFORE YOU START

IF YOU SEW A RIBBON OR ADD A CROCHET CHAIN TO THE SCENT SACHET, IT CAN BE HUNG FROM THE HANGER



RAID THE YARN STASH

TEMPLATE TURN TO PAGE 142

MAKE IT WITH Mum

WHY NOT TRY...

For a different aroma, try filling the sachets with dried petals such as lemon balm, jasmine, scented rose or ylang-ylang, dried leaves of rosemary, thyme or mint, or spices such as cloves

CLOTHES HANGER

EDGING

Using 3.5mm hook and Golden Yellow make 111ch

☐ Row 1 (WS): starting in sixth ch from hook, (1tr, miss 2ch, 2ch) to end

☐ Row 2: ([2tr, 2ch, 2tr] in top of next tr, 1fptr in next tr) 17 times, (2tr, 2ch, 2tr) in third ch, join with a sl st in third of 6ch

Fasten off

TO MAKE UP

Wind wadding or tights evenly around hanger. Fold fabric in half lengthways with WS facing. Join short edges with a 1cm seam, then turn RS out and press under a 1cm turning seam around top edge. Mark centre of top edge. Thread needle with double length of matching sewing thread and fasten to top centre. Sit hanger inside cover and sew two folded edges tog a few sts at a time, working out to end. Draw up thread as you go, evening out gathers, until you reach outside corner. Fasten off securely and cover other half of hanger in same way. Sew Edging along bottom edge. Weave in all ends

SCENTED SACHET

EDGING (MAKE 2)

Using 3.5mm hook and Soft Lilac (Plush Pink) make 75ch, join with a sl st

☐ Rnd 1: starting in third ch from hook, ([1tr, 1ch, 1tr, 1ch, 1tr, 1 picot, 1tr, 1tr, 1ch, 1tr, 1ch], miss 1ch, one sl st in each of next four ch, [1dc, 2ch, 1dc] in next ch, one sl st in each of next four ch, miss one ch) five times, join with a sl st in first st

Fasten off

TO MAKE UP

Cut two fabric hexagons following outside line of template and two paper hexagons following inside line. Tack fabric over papers and press with iron. Take out papers and with WS facing oversew hexagons tog around five sides. Fill with lavender and sew sixth side. Stitch Edging in place with sewing thread

DONE IN A DAY

★

Intermediate

KIT LIST

★ DK yarn: Cream, Pink, Grey, Gold, Sand, Blue, Brown, Green ★ Crochet hook, 3mm ★ Polyester stuffing ★ Yarn needle ★ Safety eyes, 10mm ★ Scissors ★ Tape measure

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We say

"If you want the dogs to stand up, position the legs evenly and stuff them firmly"

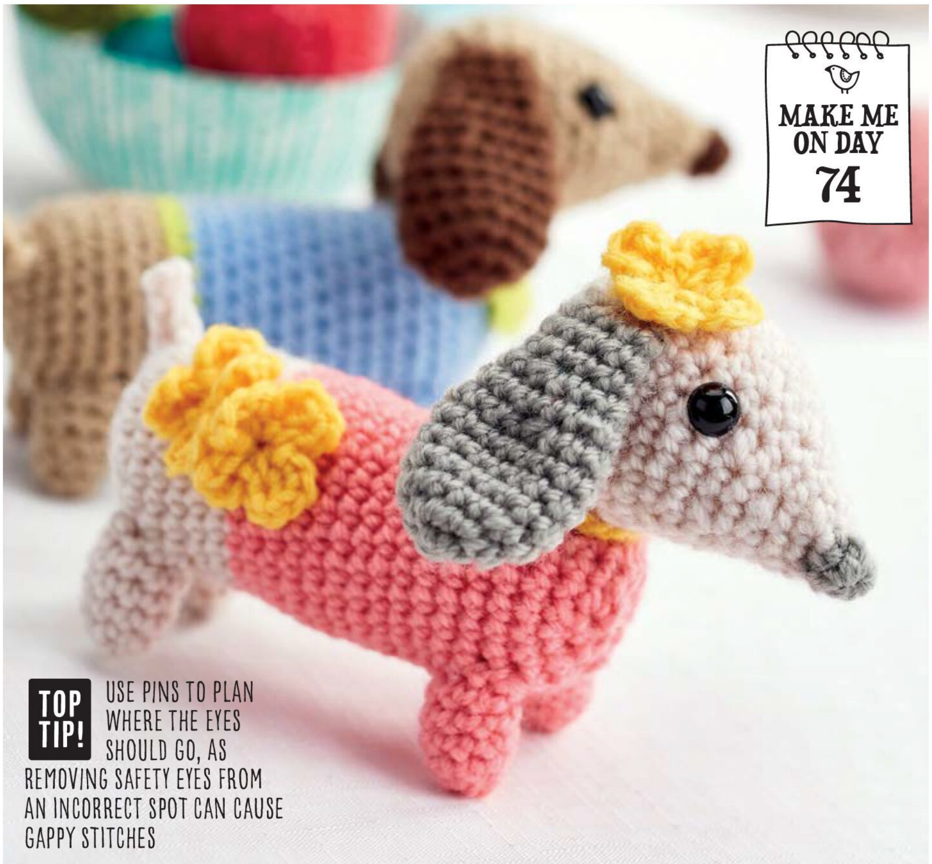
BEFORE YOU START

BY SPACING YOUR INCREASES EVENLY AROUND YOUR PROJECT, IT WILL BE MORE ROUND AND PROFESSIONAL IN APPEARANCE

DESIGNER **SARAH-JANE HICKS**

Sausage Dog Duo

Make hearts melt with this adorable pair of pooches with stylish accessories



MAKE ME ON DAY 74

TOP TIP! USE PINS TO PLAN WHERE THE EYES SHOULD GO, AS REMOVING SAFETY EYES FROM AN INCORRECT SPOT CAN CAUSE GAPPY STITCHES

HEAD

Using 3mm hook and Cream (Sand), make 2ch

☐ Rnd 1: 6dc in second ch from hook. Six sts

☐ Rnd 2: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts

☐ Rnd 3: (1dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 18 sts

☐ Rnd 4: (2dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 24 sts

☐ Rnds 5-8: 1dc in each st to end

☐ Rnd 9: (6dc, dc2tog) to end. 21 sts

☐ Rnd 10: 1dc in each st to end

☐ Rnd 11: (5dc, dc2tog) three times. 18 sts

☐ Rnd 12: 1dc in each st to end

☐ Rnd 13: (1dc, dc2tog) to end. 12 sts

☐ Rnd 14: 1dc in each st to end

Insert safety eyes between Rnds 10-11, approx five sts apart

☐ Rnd 15: (2dc, dc2tog) to end. Nine sts

☐ Rnd 16: 1dc in each st to end

Stuff

☐ Rnd 17: (1dc, dc2tog) to end. Six sts

Fasten off

NOSE (MAKE 2, 1 IN EACH COLOUR)

Using 3mm hook and Grey (Brown), make 2ch

☐ Rnd 1: 6dc in second ch from hook, join with a sl st to first st. Six sts

Fasten off, leaving a long tail

EAR (MAKE 4, 2 IN EACH COLOUR)

Using 3mm hook and Grey (Brown), make 2ch

☐ Rnd 1: 6dc in second ch from hook. Six sts

☐ Rnd 2: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts

☐ Rnd 3: (3dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 15 sts

☐ Rnds 4-6: 1dc in each st to end

☐ Rnd 7: (3dc, dc2tog) to end. 12 sts

☐ Rnd 8: 1dc in each st to end

☐ Rnd 9: (2dc, dc2tog) to end. Nine sts

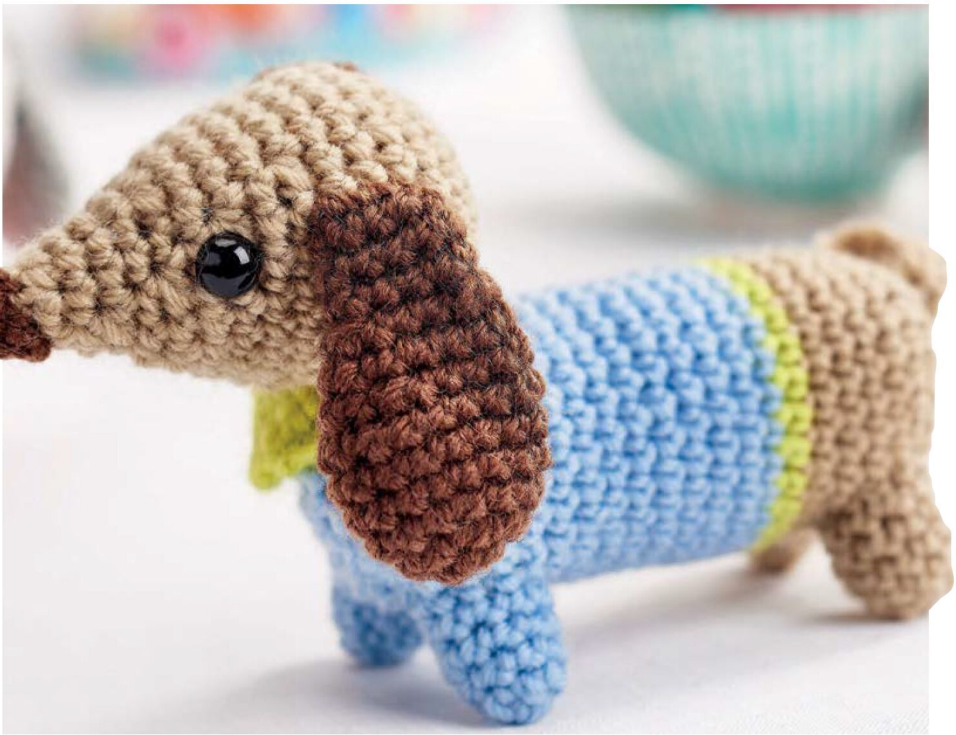
☐ Rnds 10-12: 1dc in each st to end

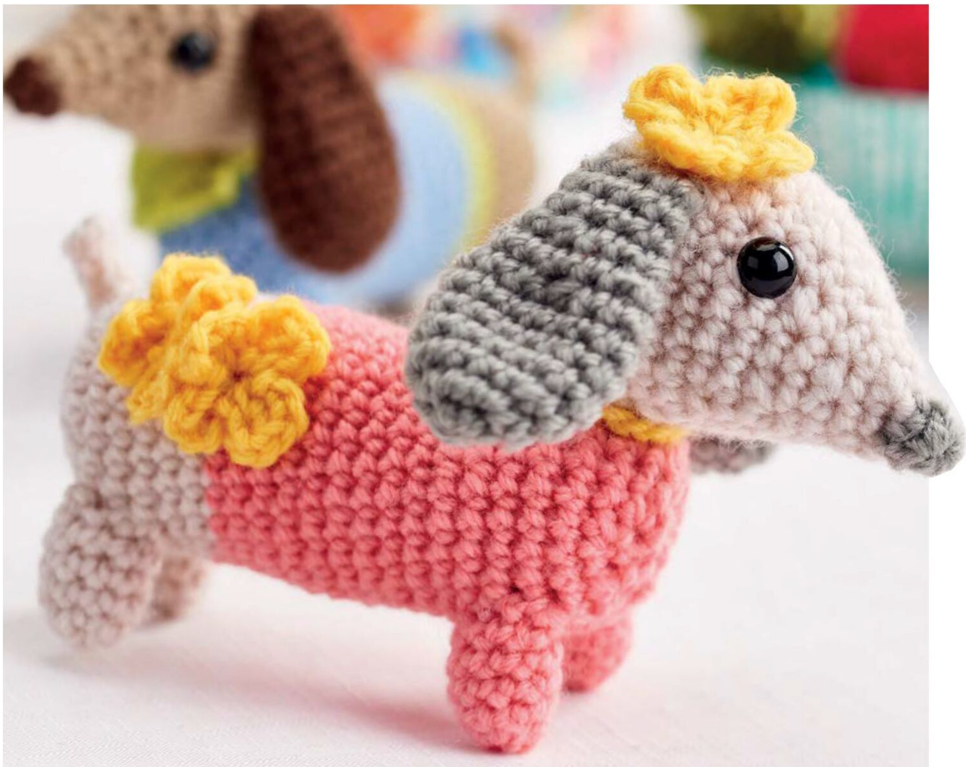
Fasten off, leaving a long tail

BODY (MAKE 2)

Using 3mm hook and Cream (Sand), make 2ch

☐ Rnd 1: 6dc in second ch from hook. Six sts





☐ Rnd 2: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts
☐ Rnd 3: (1dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 18 sts
☐ Rnd 4: (2dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 24 sts
☐ Rnds 5-9: 1dc in each st to end
Change to Pink (Green)
Row 10: 1dc in each st to end
Cont in Pink (change to Blue)
☐ Rnds 11-23: 1dc in each st to end
☐ Rnd 24: (2dc, dc2tog) to end. 18 sts
☐ Rnd 25: (1dc, dc2tog) to end. 12 sts
Stuff
☐ Rnd 26: (dc2tog) to end. Six sts
Fasten off

LEG (MAKE 8, 2 IN EACH COLOUR)

Using 3mm hook and Pink (Cream, Blue, Sand) make 2ch
☐ Rnd 1: 6dc in second ch from hook. Six sts
☐ Rnd 2: (1dc, 2dc in next st) to end. Nine sts
☐ Rnds 3-5: 1dc in each st to end
Fasten off, leaving a long tail

TAIL (MAKE 2, 1 IN EACH COLOUR)

Using 3mm hook and Cream (Sand), make 7ch
☐ Row 1: 1dc in second ch from hook, 2dc, 2htr, 1tr. Six sts
Fasten off, leaving a long tail

FLOWER (MAKE 3)

Using 3mm hook and Gold, make a magic ring, work 1tr into ring, 3ch, one sl st into ring, (3ch, 1tr, 3ch, one sl st) into ring three times. Four petals made
Fasten off, leaving a long tail

TO MAKE UP

Stuff Legs. Sew dog tog using the picture as a guide. Sew two flowers to Body and one to Head of pink dog

COLLAR

Using 3mm hook and Gold, make 16ch, join with sl st to first ch, around neck
Fasten off, weave in ends

BANDANA

Using 3mm hook and Green, make 2ch
☐ Row 1: 2dc in second ch from hook, turn. Two sts
☐ Row 2: 1ch, 1dc, 2dc in next st, turn. Three sts
☐ Row 3: 1ch, 2dc in next st, 2dc, turn. Four sts
☐ Row 4: 1ch, 3dc, 2dc in next st, turn. Five sts
☐ Row 5: 2ch, dc2tog, 3dc, turn. Four sts
☐ Row 6: 1ch, 2dc, dc2tog, turn. Three sts
☐ Row 7: 1ch, dc2tog, 1dc, turn. Two sts
☐ Row 8: 1ch, dc2tog, 8ch, join with a sl st to first ch, around neck
Fasten off, weave in ends

WHY NOT TRY...

Recreate your own pet by changing up the colours and switching the embellishments

DONE IN A DAY

Intermediate

KIT LIST

- ★ DK yarn: Sherbet Pink (light pink), Sour Rhubarb (mid pink), Orange Burst, Lemon Drop, Zesty Lime
- ★ Crochet hook, 3mm
- ★ Tapestry needle

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"Personalise your bag with pom-poms and tassels made in leftover yarn"

BEFORE YOU START

TO STOP CROCHET HOOKS SQUEAKING, KEEP THEM CLEAN AND COOL, AND TRY USING A LOOSER TENSION. CHOOSE ALUMINIUM WITH HANDLES RATHER THAN PLASTIC HOOKS

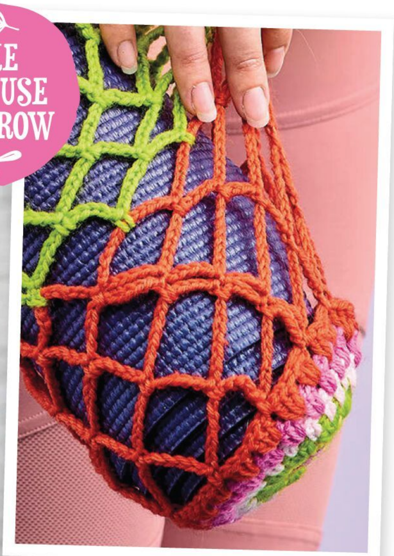
DESIGNER **SARAH SHRIMPTON**

Yoga Mat Bag

MAKE ME ON DAY 75

Get gym-ready with this handy carrier with pretty mandala edges

MAKE TODAY USE TOMORROW



BAG

Using 3mm hook and Sour Rhubarb make 4ch (counts as 1ch, 1tr), 9tr in fourth ch from hook, join with a sl st to fourth of first ch. Ten sts

Work in foll one-rnd stripe sequence: Lemon Drop, Zesty Lime, Sherbet Pink, Sour Rhubarb, Orange Burst

☐ Rnd 1: (3ch [counts as 1tr], 1tr) in next st, 2tr in each st to end, join with a sl st to third of first ch. 20 sts

☐ Rnd 2: (3ch [counts as 1tr], 3tr) between any 2tr cluster, 4tr between each 2tr cluster to end, join with a sl st to third of first ch. 40 sts

☐ Rnd 3: (3ch [counts as 1tr], 1tr) between any 4tr cluster, (miss two sts, 2tr between next two tr) to end, join with a sl st to third of first ch

☐ Rnd 4: (3ch [counts as 1tr], 2tr) between any 2tr cluster, 3tr between each 2tr cluster to end, join with a sl st to third of first ch. 60 sts

☐ Rnd 5: (3ch [counts as 1tr], 2tr) between any 3tr cluster, 3tr between each 3tr cluster to end, join with a sl st to third of first ch

Work in foll five-rnd stripe sequence: Orange Burst, Zesty Lime, Sherbet Pink, Lemon Drop, Sour Rhubarb, Sherbet Pink, Lemon Drop

☐ Rnd 6: (1ch [does not count as st], 1dc) between any 3tr cluster, miss six sts, 12ch, (1dc between next 3tr cluster, miss six sts, 12ch) to end, join with a sl st to first st. Ten loops made

☐ Rnds 7-40: 6ch, (1dc in next 12ch sp, 12ch) to end, join with a sl st to first dc

Fasten off

DRAWSTRING

Using 3mm hook and Sour Rhubarb make 150ch

Fasten off

STRAP

Using 3mm hook and Zesty Lime, leaving a long tail, make 7ch (counts as 4ch, 1tr), starting in fourth ch from hook, 1tr in each st to end, turn. Five sts

NOTE: change to Orange Burst after Row 31

☐ Rows 1-63: 3ch (counts as 1tr), 1tr in each st to end, turn

Fasten off, leaving a long tail

TO MAKE UP

Sew one side of Strap to Zesty Lime section of Bag and second side of Strap to Lemon Drop section. Thread Drawstring through 12ch sps in last rnd of Bag. Weave in all ends

TOP TIP! MAKE SURE TO USE A STRONG, STURDY YARN THAT CAN SUPPORT THE WEIGHT OF A YOGA MAT

DONE IN A DAY

DESIGNER **CORINNE BRADD**

Sweet Storage

MAKE ME ON DAY 77

Keep your crafty bits organised and secure with these cake-inspired makes

Intermediate

KIT LIST

★ Yeoman Cannele 4ply mercerised cotton yarn, assorted colours ★ Crochet hook, 3.5mm ★ Darning needle ★ Fibre filling ★ Aerosol can, 5cm diameter ★ Double-sided tape ★ Scissors ★ Ruler

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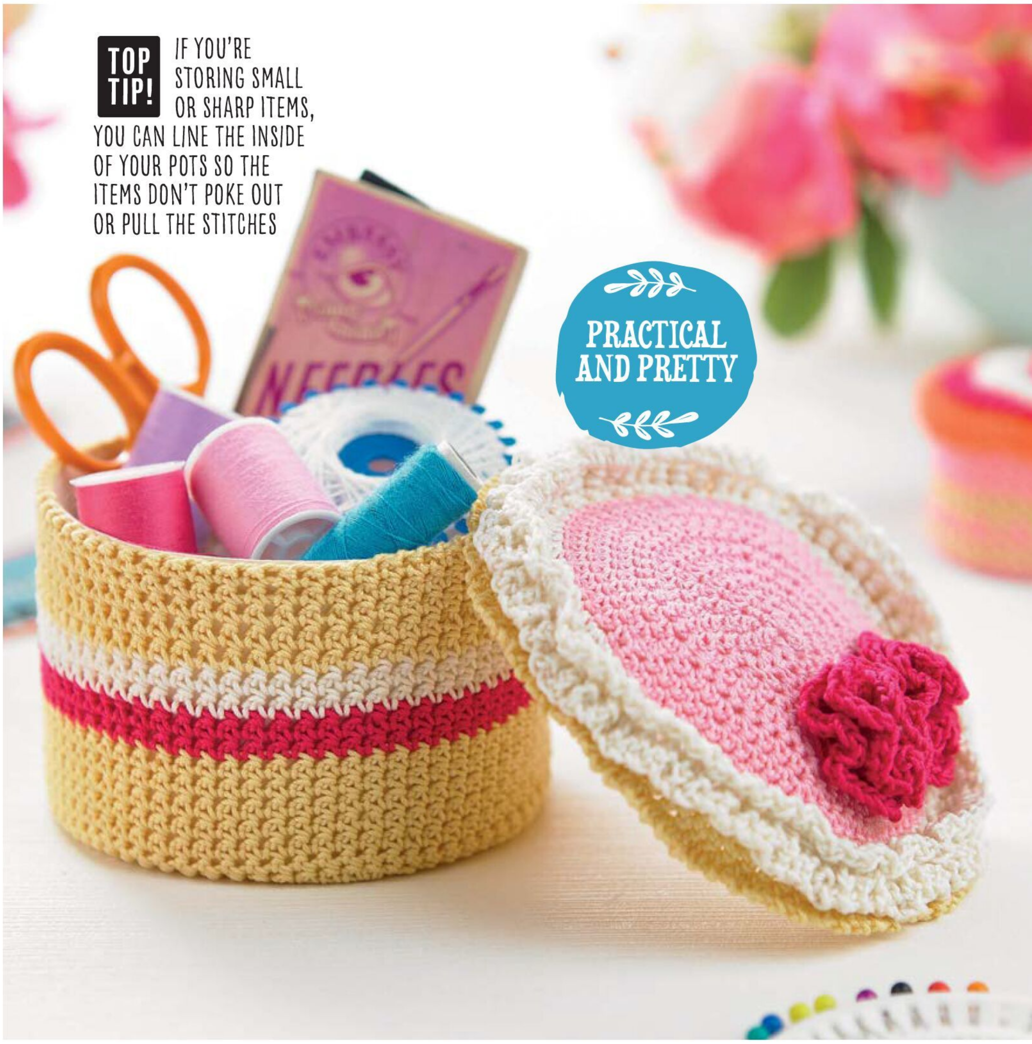
We say "Weave in loose ends as you go, so there'll be less to hide at the end"

BEFORE YOU START

IF LEAVING YOUR YARN IN A SKEIN, TAKE THE THREAD FROM THE INSIDE RATHER THAN THE OUTER END – THE SKEIN WILL STAY IN PLACE AND WON'T GET TANGLED



TOP TIP! IF YOU'RE STORING SMALL OR SHARP ITEMS, YOU CAN LINE THE INSIDE OF YOUR POTS SO THE ITEMS DON'T POKE OUT OR PULL THE STITCHES

PRACTICAL AND PRETTY

CUPCAKES

1 With a 3.5mm hook ch 4 and join into a ring. Work 6 dc into ring and join with slst. Ch 1, 2dc into each dc and join. Ch 1, *2dc into dc, dc into next dc, rpt from * to end and join. Ch 1, *2dc into dc, dc into next 2 dcs, rpt from * to end and join

2 Continue working in this way, increasing the gap between the 2dcs by one stitch each row and allowing the shape to build up into a hexagon. When it is approximately the same diameter as an aerosol can, work a rnd of dc around the edge and join.

3 Ch 1 and build up the sides of the cake by working dc into each stitch. At the end of each row, join with a slst and start the next row with a ch. For a 3cm tall cake you will need to work seven rows before casting off.

4 Shape the cake by wrapping a 3cm x 30cm strip of card around the end of the aerosol can and securing with double-sided tape. While the card ring is still on the can, slip the cake base over the top.

5 Slide the card and base off the can, oversew around the top edge of the base with a needle and yarn, then pull in the stitches slightly before knotting to secure work over the card ring.

6 Make the lid in the same way. Build up the hexagon as before, but make it one row larger in diameter than the

base. Work a row of dc around the shape and add a picot edge by working ch, *dc, 2ch, rpt from * to end. This piece is the base of the lid.

7 Make the decoration by crocheting another smaller hexagon as before, working a row of dc around the edge, then attaching to the middle of the lid base with running stitch around the edge.

8 Stuff before closing up the gap. Make a cherry by gathering up the edges of a very small hexagon, filling with stuffing and pulling tight to make a ball that can be stitched to the centre.

VICTORIA SPONGE

1 The base of the sponge is made in the same way as the cupcakes: diameter, 10cm; depth, 6cm. Make the lid base at least 1cm wider than the cake before adding a row of dc and a row of picot edging.

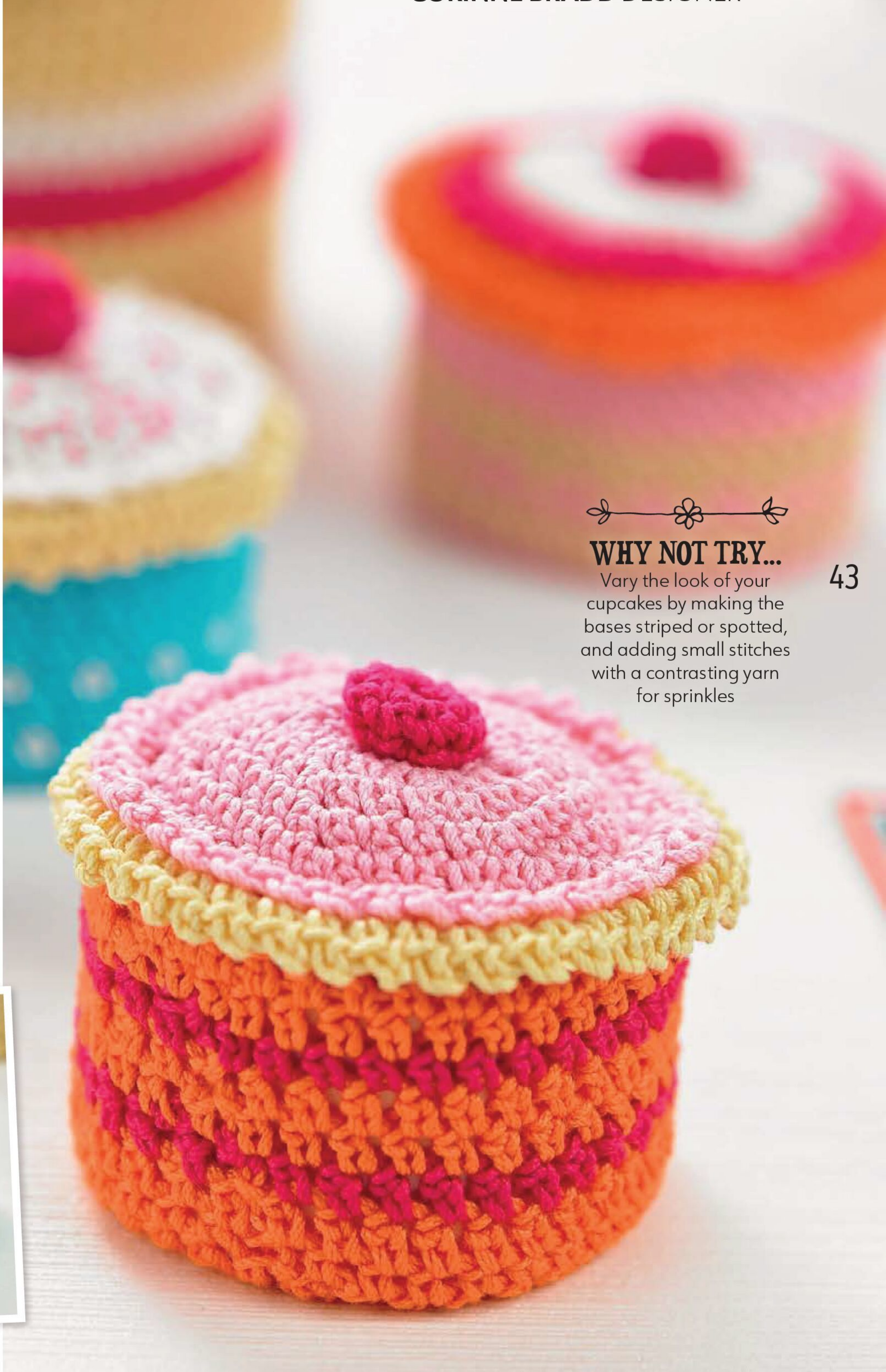
2 Create the lid top the same diameter but work 2dc into each dc instead of a row of picots. Cut card, 2cm smaller than the lid size, and place between the two and join with running stitch, 1cm in from the edge. Leave a gap for stuffing.

3 Add the whipped cream to the edge of the lid by attaching yarn to a dc in the last but one row. Ch 3 and work 2 tr into the same stitch. Work three trebles into all other dc in the circumference to create a ruffled effect.

4 Make ruffled flowers by working 12dc into a 4 ch ring and joining with a slst. Ch3 and work 3tr into each dc, join. Layer two ruffled flowers together and stitch to lid.

"Aim to crochet one of these in a day and it won't take long to make up a whole shelf of sweet delights!"

CORINNE BRADD DESIGNER



WHY NOT TRY...

Vary the look of your cupcakes by making the bases striped or spotted, and adding small stitches with a contrasting yarn for sprinkles

DONE IN A DAY

Intermediate

KIT LIST

★ DK yarn: Cream, Blue
★ Crochet hook, 4.5mm
★ Beads ★ Safety pin
★ Felt ★ Adhesive
★ Tapestry needle
★ Scissors ★ Tape measure

Corsage: 12cm in diameter

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We say

"Use a good all-purpose glue to ensure the felt stays put and/or stitch it in place"

BEFORE YOU START

DON'T BE AFRAID TO UNDO STITCHES IF SOMETHING GOES WRONG – IT'S A LOT EASIER THAN STARTING OVER IF IT GOES LOPSIDED

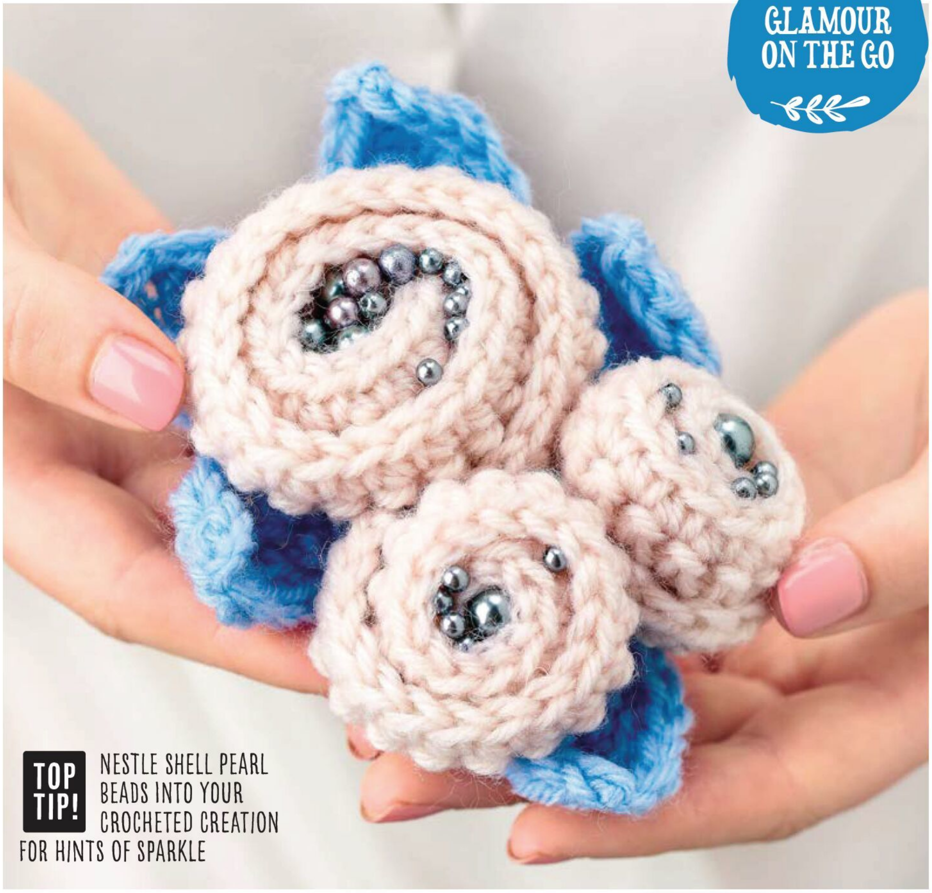
DESIGNER **AMANDA WALKER**

Floral Corsage

MAKE ME ON DAY 88

Pep up an outfit, pin a shawl in place or embellish a project with this posy

GLAMOUR ON THE GO



TOP TIP! NESTLE SHELL PEARL BEADS INTO YOUR CROCHETED CREATION FOR HINTS OF SPARKLE

LARGE FLOWER

Using 4.5mm hook and Cream make 50ch
☐ Rnd 1: 1dc in second ch from hook, 1dc in each ch to end, turn. 49 sts
☐ Rnds 2-3: 1ch, 1dc in each ch to end, turn
Fasten off

SMALL FLOWER (MAKE 2)

Using 4.5mm hook and Cream make 30ch
☐ Rnds 1-3: rep Rnds 1-3 of Large Flower
Fasten off

LEAF (MAKE 5)

Using 4.5mm hook and Blue make 7ch
☐ Rnd 1: 1dc in second ch from hook, 1htr, 3tr, (2htr, 1dc, 2htr) in next ch, work along opposite side of ch as folls: 3tr, 1htr, 1dc, join with a sl st to first st
Fasten off

TO MAKE UP

Let each of Flowers curl into a coil. Twist the centre of the coil flat, making a cavity in centre. Sew Small Flowers to Large Flower. Sew Leaves around edges. Glue beads in varying sizes to centre of Flowers and leave to dry. Cut small piece of felt and add safety pin. Glue felt to back of brooch and leave to dry

BONUS PROJECT
YOU CAN MAKE ME INSTEAD

Beginner

KIT LIST

★ Fabric, soft furnishing, 1m ★ Embroidery hoop, wooden ★ T-shirt (or alternatively you can buy ready-made T-shirt yarn) ★ Cotton yarn: pink, red ★ Cord, silver ★ Crochet hook (size will depend on your T-shirt strip width) ★ Tapestry needle ★ Scissors ★ Tape measure

Bag: 35cm x 37cm (without handles)

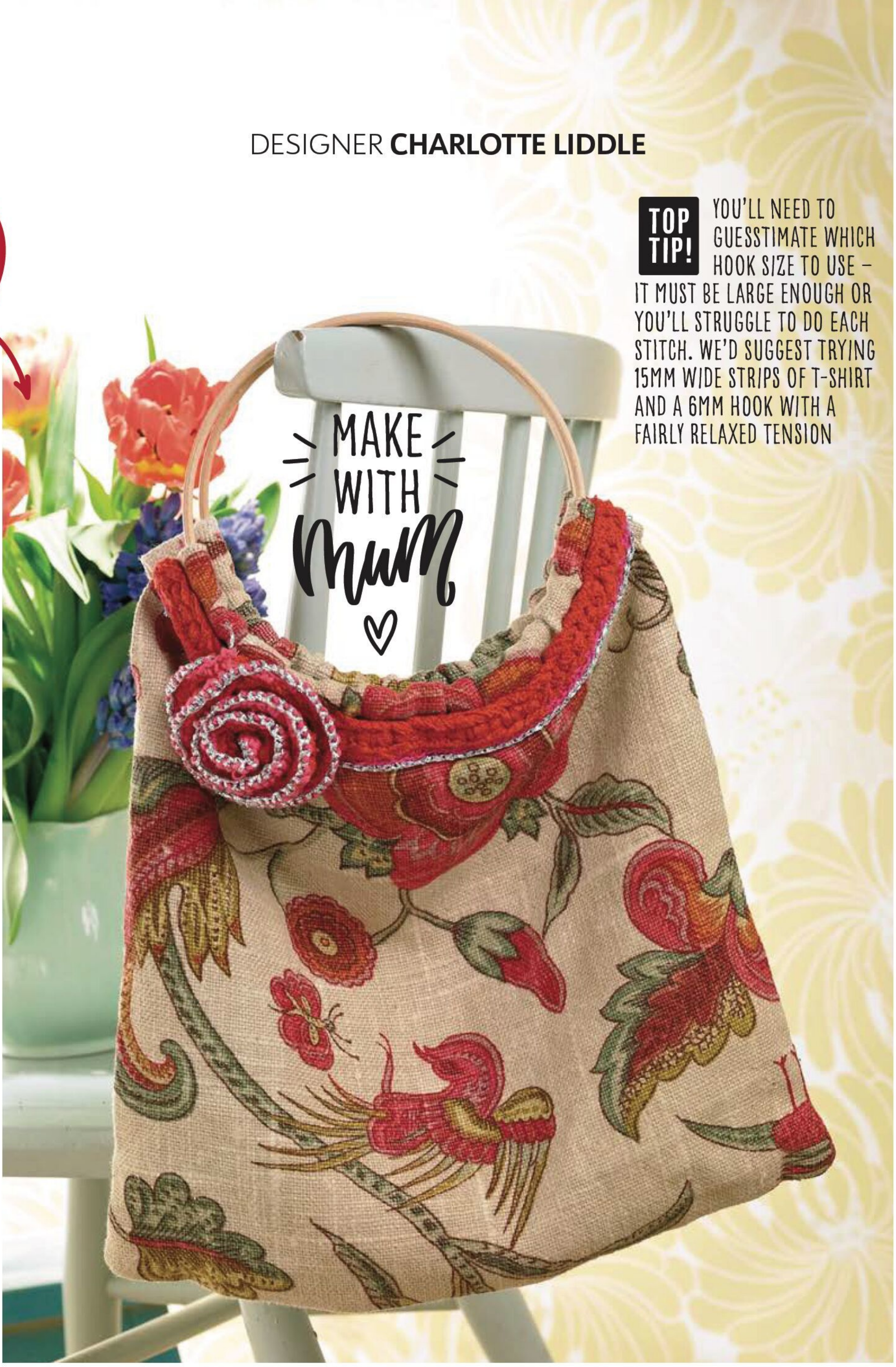
We say "Rummage through your stash - bags like this are a great stashbusting project"

BEFORE YOU START

IF YOU DON'T HAVE LARGE ENOUGH SCRAPS TO MAKE THE BAG, SIMPLY SEAM PIECES TOGETHER TO THE DESIRED SIZE TO CREATE A PATCHWORK EFFECT

DESIGNER **CHARLOTTE LIDDLE**

TOP TIP! YOU'LL NEED TO GUESSTIMATE WHICH HOOK SIZE TO USE – IT MUST BE LARGE ENOUGH OR YOU'LL STRUGGLE TO DO EACH STITCH. WE'D SUGGEST TRYING 15MM WIDE STRIPS OF T-SHIRT AND A 6MM HOOK WITH A FAIRLY RELAXED TENSION



1 Create the bag. Cut two pieces of recycled furnishing fabric measuring 40cm x 45cm. Place them RS together and pin across the bottom and up either side. Join the side and base seams with a straight machine stitch. Leave the top 20cm open, fold back the edges and neaten using top stitch. Turn through to the RS.

2 Make the handles. Take the embroidery hoop and split the two circles. Pin the top edges of the bag over each part, ensuring that the metal opening mechanism is concealed inside the fabric. Stitch this in place and gather the material towards the bottom.

3 To create the border and corsage, cut a continuous strip of fabric from an old plain T-shirt, keeping it as long as possible (a strip that snakes from side to side will make the longest possible continuous yarn).

4 With the crochet hook and using the fabric strip as yarn, work a row of chain stitch to measure 30cm. Turn and work in rows, adding a double crochet into the stitch. Attach a coordinating yarn and create a second row of double crochet into each stitch on the row below. Repeat this using a silver cord to finish. Sew the band onto the front along the lower curve of the handles.

5 Make a matching strip of crochet to create the corsage. Starting at the centre, coil the crochet strip to create the corsage shape and hand stitch at the centre through all the layers to secure. Stitch the floral corsage to the front of the bag to finish.

DESIGNER **LUCINDA GANDERTON**

Baby Bootees

MAKE ME ON DAY 89

Keep little tootsies toasty with these sweet stripy, flower-decorated slippers

Intermediate

KIT LIST

- ★ DK yarn: Blue, Purple, Green, Orange
- ★ Crochet hook, 3.5mm
- ★ Stitch marker
- ★ Tapestry/yarn needle

Length from toe to heel: 12cm

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We say

"You can use variegated self-striping yarns to take the hassle out of colourwork"

BEFORE YOU START

THIS PROJECT IS WORKED IN THE ROUND, SO THE ONLY SEAM TO SEW UP IS THE ONE ON THE BASE OF THE SOLE

ANKLE SOCK

NOTE: bootees are crocheted top downwards, starting with ankle and ending with sole

Using 3.5mm hook and blue yarn make 30ch, join with a sl st to form a ring, insert st marker to indicate beg of rnd

☐ Rnd 1: 2ch, 1dc in second ch from hook, (1dc in next ch) 29 times, sl st to second ch

☐ Rnd 2: 3ch, 2tr in next dc, (miss two dc, 3tr in next dc) nine times, sl st to third of first 3ch

Fasten off blue yarn, join green yarn to first tr of prev rnd

☐ Rnd 3: 3ch, 2tr in same sp, (miss two tr, 3tr in next tr) nine times, sl st to third of first 3ch *

Fasten off green yarn, join purple yarn to first tr of prev rnd

☐ Rnd 4: rep Rnd 3 *

Fasten off purple yarn, join blue yarn to first tr of prev rnd

☐ Rnd 5: rep Rnd 3

Fasten off blue yarn, join green yarn to first tr of prev rnd

☐ Rnd 6: rep Rnd 3

Rep from * to * once

INSTEP

Rejoin purple yarn to first tr of fifth tr cluster from st marker

☐ Rows 1-6: 3ch, (1tr in next tr) eight times

Fasten off purple yarn, join blue yarn to back of Ankle Sock at centre tr of 3tr that lie above st marker

SIDES & SOLE

☐ Rnd 1: 3ch, (1tr in next tr) to instep, (2tr over next tr) six times along side of instep, (1tr in next tr) seven times along top edge, 1tr in third ch, 2tr over 3ch, (2tr over next tr) five times along side of instep, (1tr in next tr) to end, sl st to third of first 3ch

Fasten off blue yarn, join green yarn to third ch

☐ Rnd 2: 3ch, 1tr in next tr, tr2tog, (1tr in next tr) 18 times, tr2tog, (1tr in next tr) four times, tr2tog, (1tr in next tr) 18 times, tr2tog, 1tr in next tr, sl st to third of first 3ch

Fasten off green yarn, join purple yarn to third ch

☐ Rnd 3: 3ch, tr2tog, (1tr in next tr) 18 times, tr2tog, (1tr in next tr) twice, tr2tog, (1tr in next tr)18 times, tr2tog, sl st to third of first 3ch

Fasten off purple yarn, join blue yarn to third ch

☐ Rnd 4: 3ch, tr2tog, (1tr in next tr) 17 times, (tr2tog) twice, (1tr in next tr) 7 times, tr2tog, sl st to third of first 3ch

Fasten off, leaving a 30cm tail

Thread tail through yarn needle and sew centre sole seam closed

LEAF

Using 3.5mm hook and green yarn make 4ch

☐ Row 1: 2tr in first ch

☐ Row 2: 2ch, insert hook into next tr, yoh and pull through loop, insert hook into fourth ch, yoh and pull through loop, yoh and draw through all loops on hook

Fasten off

FLOWER

Using 3.5mm hook and orange yarn make 5ch, join with a sl st to form a ring

☐ Rnd 1: 2ch, 11dc into ring, sl st to second of first 2ch

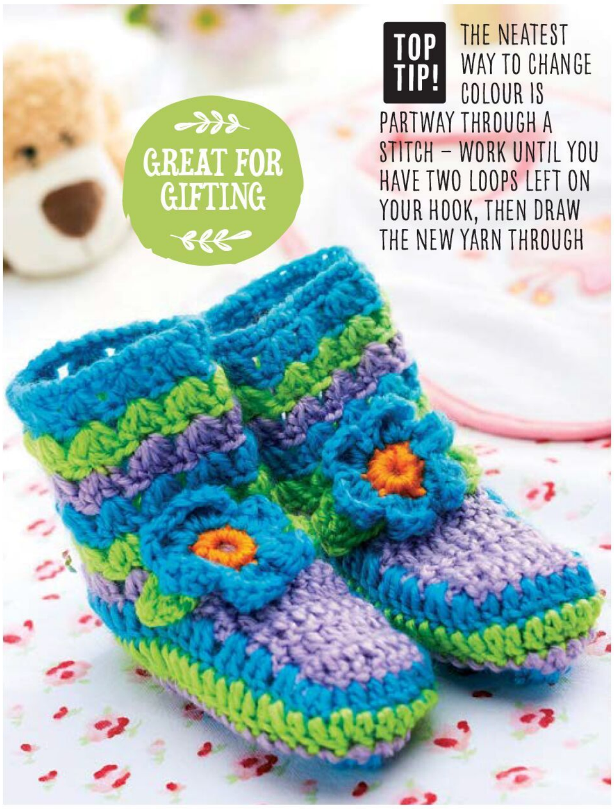
Fasten off orange yarn, join blue yarn to one dc

☐ Rnd 2: [2ch, (1tr, 1dtr) into same dc, 1ch, (1dtr, 1tr) into next dc, one sl st into next dc] six times

Fasten off

TO MAKE UP

Sew two Leaves to Instep, then sew Flower between them



TOP TIP! THE NEATEST WAY TO CHANGE COLOUR IS PARTWAY THROUGH A STITCH – WORK UNTIL YOU HAVE TWO LOOPS LEFT ON YOUR HOOK, THEN DRAW THE NEW YARN THROUGH

DESIGNER **HELEN ARDLEY**

Flower Headband

Keep your ears warm and spirits up on blustery days with this pretty floral make

Beginner

KIT LIST

★ DK yarn: China Blue, Rich Blue, Chocolate Taupe, Creamy White, Soft Yellow ★ Crochet hook, 4.5mm ★ Tapestry needle ★ Scissors ★ Tape measure

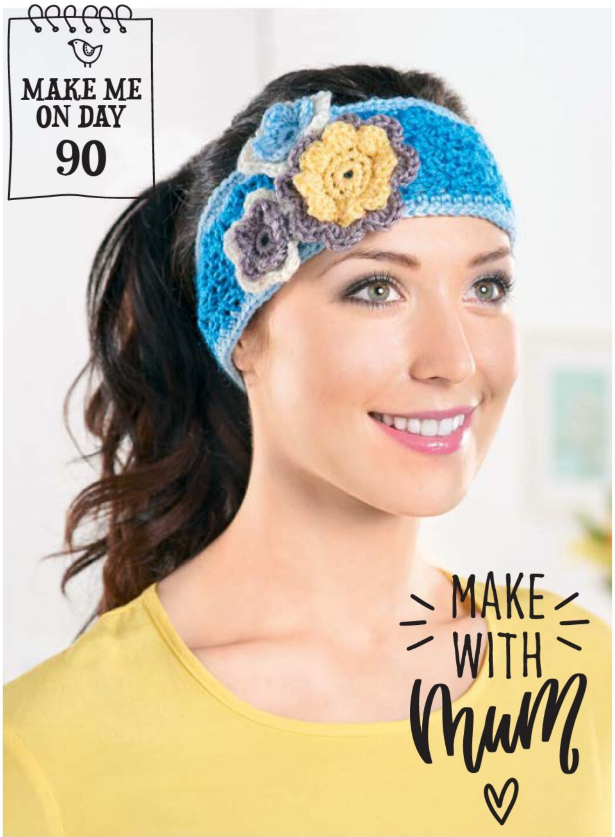
To fit: average woman's head

We say

"The flowers are made separately and sewn on, so you could make extra ones to embellish a hat, coat or bag"

BEFORE YOU START

WHILE THIS PROJECT DOESN'T USE MUCH YARN, IT'S ALWAYS BETTER TO HAVE MORE THAN YOU NEED – MOST SHOPS WILL ALLOW YOU TO SWAP LEFTOVER UNUSED SKEINS



MAKE ME ON DAY 90

MAKE WITH mum

HEADBAND

Using 4.5mm hook and China Blue make 86ch

☐ Row 1: 1dc in second ch from hook, 1dc in each ch to end, turn. 85 sts

Change to Rich Blue

☐ Row 2: 1ch, 1dc, * miss two sts, (1tr, 1ch, 1tr, 1ch,1tr) in next st, miss two sts, 1dc, rep from * to end, turn. 57 sts

☐ Row 3: [4ch (counts as 1tr, 1ch), 1tr] in next st,* miss next st, 1dc, miss next st, (1tr, 1ch, 1tr, 1ch,1tr) in next st, rep from *to last four sts, miss next st, 1dc, miss next st, (1tr, 1ch, 1tr) in next st, turn

☐ Row 4: 1ch, 1dc, * miss next st, (1tr, 1ch, 1tr, 1ch,1tr) in next st, miss next st, 1dc, rep from * to end

☐ Rows 5-14: rep Rows 3-4 five times

Change to China Blue

☐ Row 15: 1dc in each st and ch sp to end. 85 sts

Fasten off

SMALL FLOWER (MAKE 2)

Using 4.5mm hook and China Blue (Chocolate Taupe) make 4ch, join with a sl st to first ch to form a ring

☐ Rnd 1: 1ch, 10dc into ring, join with a sl st to first st. Ten sts

☐ Rnd 2: * (1dc, 1htr, 1tr) in next st, (1tr, 1htr, 1dc) in next st, rep from * to end. 30 sts

☐ Rnd 3: working behind Rnd 2 petals one sl st in next st, * 3ch, one sl st in next sp between petals, rep from * to end, join with a sl st to first st

Change to Creamy White

☐ Rnd 4: (1dc, 1htr, 2tr, 1htr, 1dc) in each 3ch sp to end, join with a sl st to first st. 30 sts

Fasten off

LARGE FLOWER

Using 4.5mm hook and Soft Yellow make 4ch, join with a sl st to first ch to form a ring

☐ Rnd 1: 1dc, 8dc into ring, join with a sl st to first st. Eight sts

☐ Rnd 2: 1ch, 2dc in each st to end, join with a sl st to first st. 16 sts

☐ Rnd 3: 1ch, * (1dc, 1htr, 1tr) in next st, (1tr, 1htr, 1dc) in next dc, rep from * to end, join with a sl st to first st. 48 sts

Change to Chocolate Taupe

☐ Rnd 4: working behind

☐ Rnd 3 petals 1ch, 1dc in base of first st, (3ch, miss five sts, 1dc in base of next st) seven times, 3ch, join with a sl st to first st. Eight sts

☐ Rnd 5: one sl st in next 3ch sp, 1ch, (1dc, 1htr, 3tr, 1htr, 1dc) in each 3ch sp to end, join with a sl st to first st. 56 sts

Fasten off

TO MAKE UP

Sew in ends. Sew back seam using mattress st. Sew Flowers to Headband

BORDER

Using 4.5mm hook and China Blue join yarn with a sl st to any edge st on Headband

☐ Row 1: 1dc in each st to end

Fasten off, rejoin yarn to any edge st on opposite side

☐ Row 2: rep Row 1

Fasten off

TOP TIP! WHEN INSTRUCTED TO WORK MULTIPLE STITCHES INTO ONE STITCH, SIMPLY WORK THE FIRST STITCH INTO THE DESIGNATED STITCH, THEN WORK THE NEXT ONES IN THE VERY SAME PLACE

MAKE ME ON DAY 35

CHALLENGE YOURSELF:

ORGANISE YOUR STASH

Divide and conquer for an efficient crafting space

We all know that being creative makes a mess (at least that's our excuse anyway) but if your craft area is getting too cluttered to get crocheting in, it's time to take action! Spend a day sorting out a system for your storage and your dreams of clear surfaces and tidy drawers can be a reality. Start by sorting your patterns and yarns into categories then group them in dedicated storage, whether that's divided containers, clear folders, cardboard tubes or box shelves. Order yarns by weight (DKs with DKs, chunkies with other chunkies), by fibre (cotton, wool, alpaca, acrylic, other) or by colour (looks pretty, but might need further sub-sections!). Don't forget to keep multiples of the same yarn close together so you know if there's enough for your project. Of course, if you can bring yourself to have a bit of a clear out then that will help – charities such as Knit for Peace welcome donations, or host a Yarn Swapping party with your crafty pals. Once you're organised, be sure to stick with your system – it will make each and every crochet time more enjoyable and productive!

SOMETHING FOR THE WEEKEND

Create

Weekend Make

DESIGNER **LARA MESSER**

FLORAL WREATH

MAKE ME ON DAYS 1-2

Decorate a stripy base with three fab types of everlasting blooms

Intermediate

KIT LIST

- ★ DK yarn: Pale Blue, Yellow, Variegated Blue, White, Navy, Blue
- ★ Crochet hook, 4.5mm
- ★ Polystyrene wreath (ours was 3cm deep and 17cm in circumference)
- ★ Hot glue gun (optional)
- ★ Tapestry needle
- ★ Scissors ★ Tape measure

Wreath: 17cm diameter

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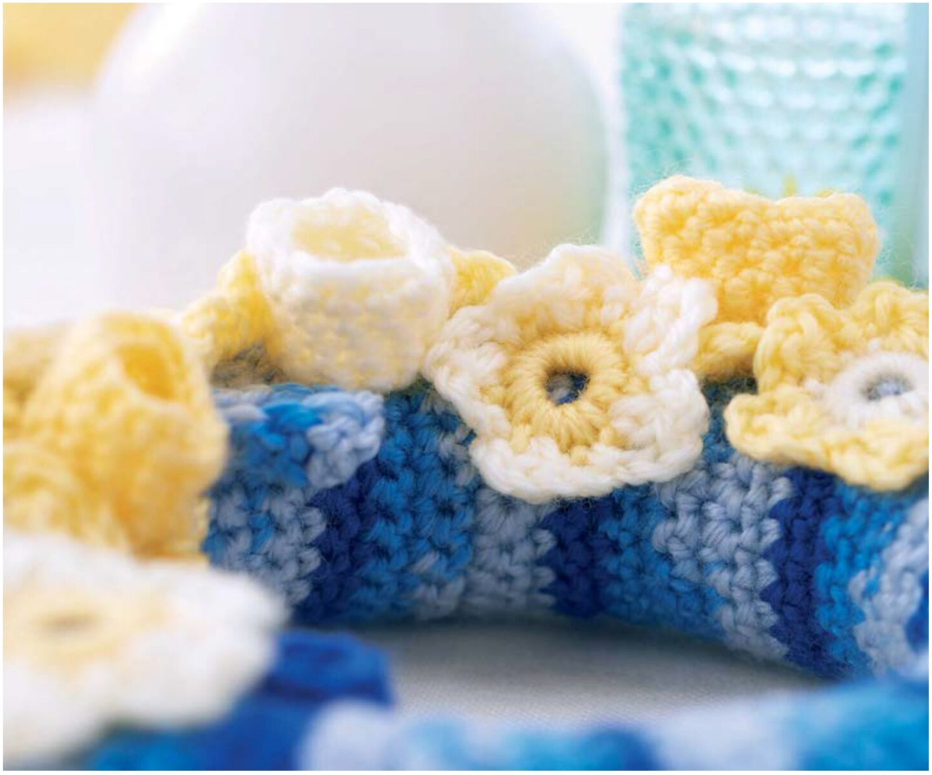
We say

"You could hot glue the flowers onto the base to save time"

BEFORE YOU START

IF YOU'RE USING A DIFFERENT SIZED BASE, MEASURE YOUR INITIAL CHAIN AROUND THE RING AND CHANGE THE LENGTH TO ENSURE A TIGHT FIT



BASE

Using 4.5mm hook and Ocean Blue make 23ch, turn

☐ Row 1: 1ch, 1dc in each ch to end, turn. 23 sts

☐ Row 2: 1ch, 1dc in each st to end, turn

Work in foll two-row stripe sequence to end: Dolphin Blue, Deckchair Blue, Sky Blue, Ocean Blue

Rep Row 2 until work is long enough to cover entire ring

Fasten off

Sew in ends. Using pins, secure Base around polystyrene ring. Whip st long sides tog, then join short ends tog

HANGING LOOP

Using 4.5mm hook and Dolphin Blue join yarn with a sl st to back of wreath at outer edge

☐ Row 1: 16ch, join with a sl st in first st

Fasten off

LEAF (MAKE 4)

Using 4.5mm hook and Sky Blue (Sky Blue, Deckchair Blue, Ocean Blue) make 7ch

☐ Row 1: one sl st in second ch from hook, 1dc in each of next two ch, 1htr in next ch, 1tr in next ch, 5tr in next ch, work along opposite side of ch as folls: 1tr in next ch, 1htr in next ch, 1dc in each of next two ch, one sl st in next ch

Fasten off

DAISY (MAKE 10)

Using 4.5mm hook and chosen yarn make 6ch, join with a sl st to first ch to form a ring

☐ Rnd 1: 1ch, 15dc into ring, join with a sl to first st. 15 sts

Change to second colour

☐ Rnd 2: (3ch, tr2tog, 3ch, one sl st in next st) to end, join with a sl st to last st of Rnd 1. Five petals made

Fasten off

DAFFODIL TRUMPET (MAKE 3)

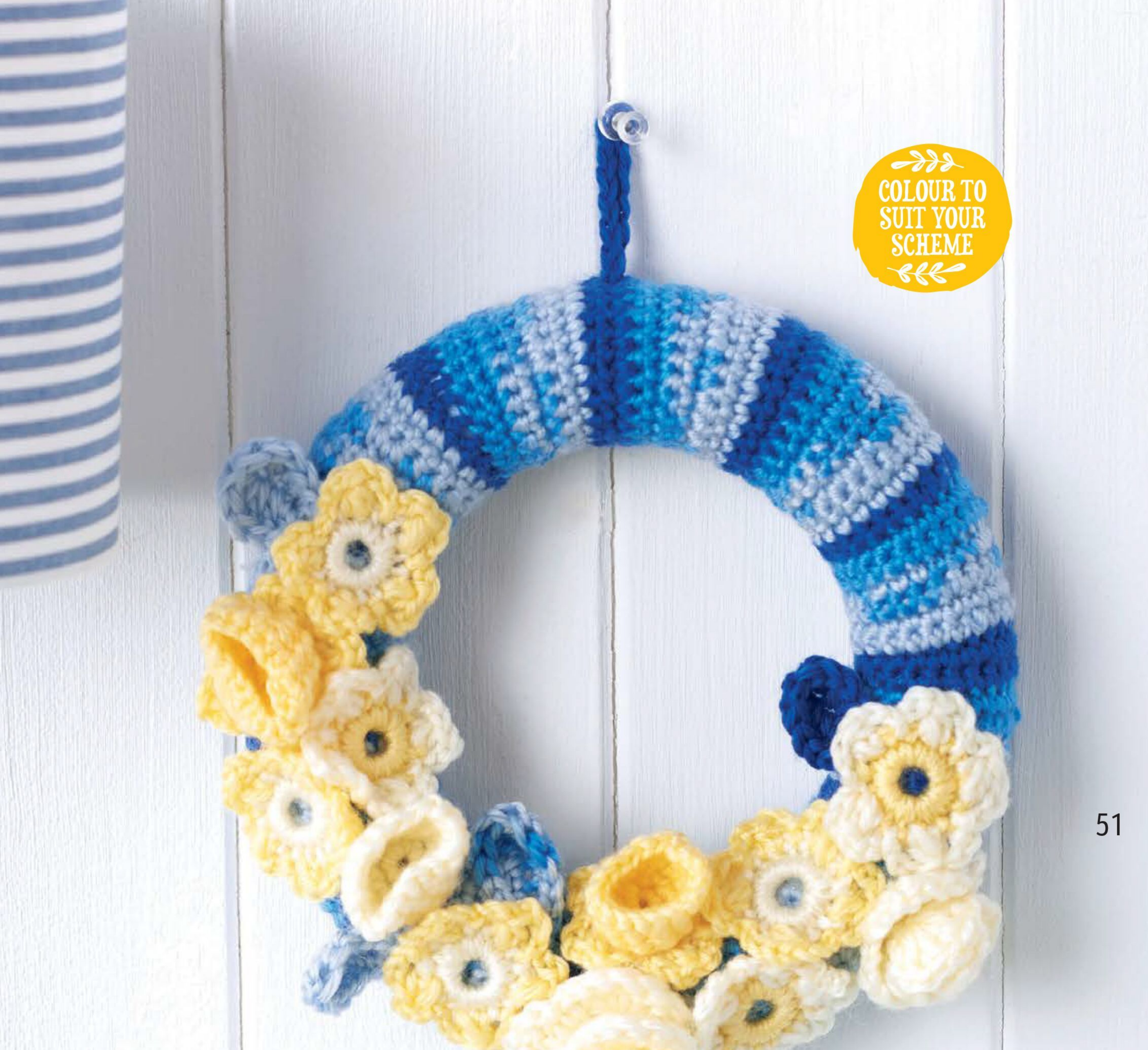
Using 4.5mm hook and chosen yarn make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

☐ Rnd 1: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts

☐ Rnds 2-4: 1dc in each st to end

☐ Rnd 5: (2dc in next st, 1dc) to end, join with a sl st to first st. 18 sts

Fasten off



ROSE (MAKE 2)

Using 4.5mm hook and Shell White make 17ch

☐ Row 1: (1tr) in fifth ch from hook (counts as 1tr, 1ch, 1tr), miss next ch, * (1tr, 1ch, 1tr) in next ch, miss next ch, rep from * to last ch, (1tr, 1ch, 1tr in next st, turn. 14 sts

☐ Row 2: 3ch (counts as 1tr), 5tr in next 1ch sp, 1dc in sp before next (1tr, 1ch 1tr), [6tr in next 1ch sp, 1dc in sp before next (1tr, 1ch 1tr)] five times, 6tr in next 1ch sp. 48 sts Fasten off, leaving a long tail

TO MAKE UP

Starting from first petal tightly roll Rose. Secure with a few sts. Stitch a Trumpet to three of the Daisy centres to form daffodils. Lay elements in position around wreath and pin then sew in place

ADVICE FOR NEWBIE CROCHETERS

★ Balls of yarn are less likely to tangle than centre-pull skeins, and can help with achieving even tension. Position the ball so that it can unwind easily as you crochet.

★ Don't expect amazing work from the get-go, practice makes perfect! With a little patience, you'll soon be doing it without thinking in front of the telly!

★ Check where any patterns come from – UK and USA patterns use the same terms but for different stitches. All the patterns in this magazine use UK terminology.

DESIGNER **EMMA VARNAM**

GEOMETRIC CUSHION

Add a pop of colour to your interiors with this on-trend patterned pillow

MAKE ME ON DAYS 8-9

Beginner

KIT LIST

★ DK yarn: Mellow Yellow, Dancer Beige, Jumper Red, Wurlitzer Jade, Dizzy Pink, Gallop Blue ★ Crochet hook, 4mm ★ Cushion pad, 32cm square ★ Cushion cover, 32cm square ★ Tapestry needle ★ Scissors ★ Tape measure

Geometric cover: 32cm square

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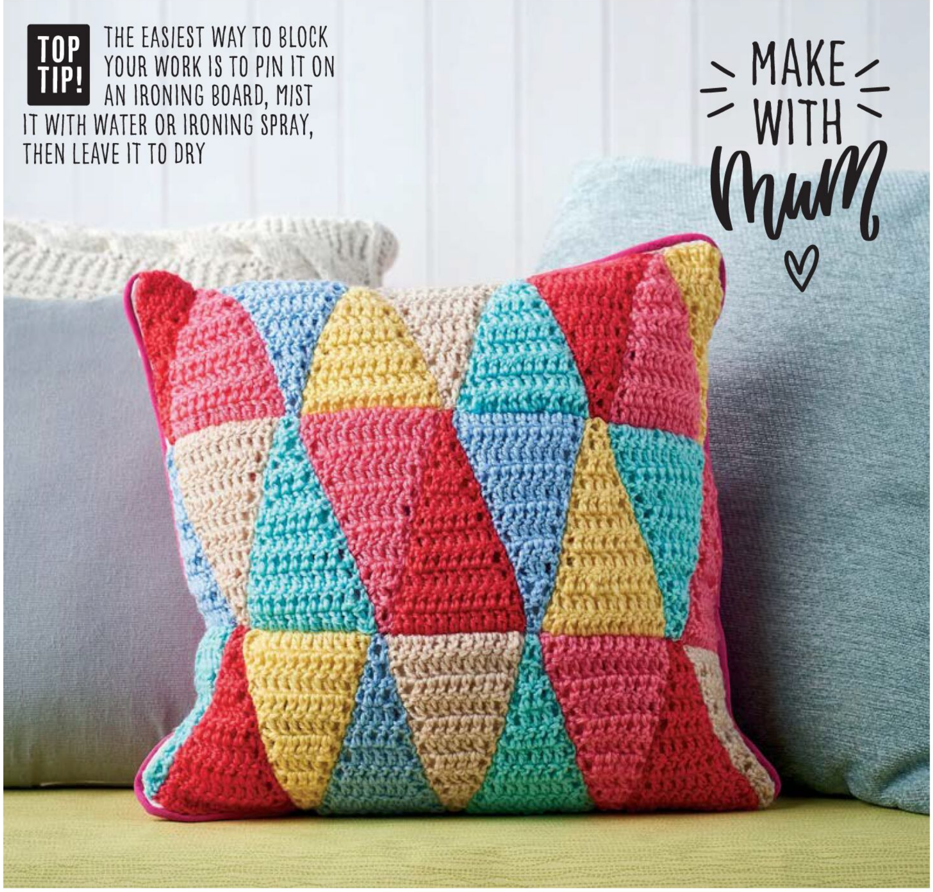
We say

"It's easy to update a cushion cover with this stitch-on panel made of triangles"

BEFORE YOU START

SINCE THIS PANEL DOESN'T USE MUCH YARN, YOU CAN EASILY PIECE TOGETHER A MATCHING BACK OR COMPLEMENTARY BLANKET



TOP TIP! THE EASIEST WAY TO BLOCK YOUR WORK IS TO PIN IT ON AN IRONING BOARD, MIST IT WITH WATER OR IRONING SPRAY, THEN LEAVE IT TO DRY

MAKE WITH mum

WHOLE TRIANGLE (MAKE 21, 4 IN EACH JUMPER RED, DIZZY PINK, WURLITZER JADE; THREE EACH IN MELLOW YELLOW, DANCER BEIGE, GALLOP BLUE)

Using 4mm hook and chosen colour make 14ch

☐ Row 1: 1tr in fourth ch from hook, 1tr in each ch to end, turn. 12 sts

☐ Rows 2-11: 3ch (counts as 1tr), miss next st, 1tr in each st to last two sts, miss next st, 1tr in third of next 3ch, turn. Two sts

Fasten off, sew in ends

HALF TRIANGLE (MAKE 6, 1 IN EACH COLOUR)

Using 4mm hook and chosen colour make 9ch

☐ Row 1: 1tr in fourth ch from hook, 1tr in each ch to end, turn. Seven sts

☐ Row 2: 3ch (counts as 1tr), miss next st, 1tr in each st to last two sts, miss next st, 1tr in third of next 3ch, turn. Six sts

☐ Row 3: 3ch (counts as first st), miss next st, 1tr in each st to last st, 1tr in third of next 3ch, turn

☐ Rows 4-11: rep Rows 2-3 four times. Two sts

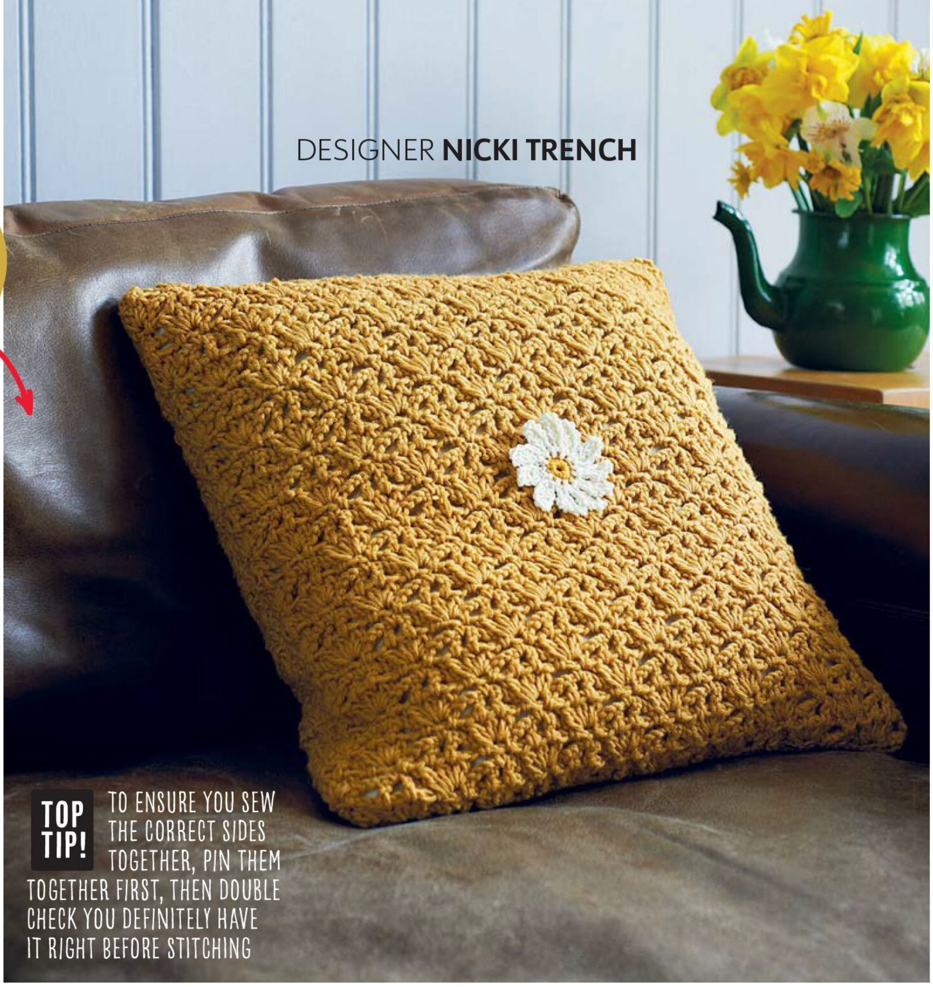
☐ Row 12: 3ch (counts as 1tr), miss next st, 1tr in third of next 3ch

Fasten off, sew in ends

TO MAKE UP

Using photograph as a guide, arrange Whole Triangles in three rows of seven, attaching a Half Triangle to the end of each row. Sew edges tog using coordinating embroidery thread, using small whip sts in last st or turning ch of each row. Sew onto cushion cover to finish

BONUS PROJECT
YOU CAN MAKE ME INSTEAD



DESIGNER **NICKI TRENCH**

TOP TIP! TO ENSURE YOU SEW THE CORRECT SIDES TOGETHER, PIN THEM TOGETHER FIRST, THEN DOUBLE CHECK YOU DEFINITELY HAVE IT RIGHT BEFORE STITCHING

Intermediate

KIT LIST

★ Debbie Bliss Rialto Chunky merino wool yarn, MC 007 Gold, eight 50g balls ★ Rowan Cotton Glacé DK yarn: (A) 856 Mineral, (B) 725 Ecru ★ Crochet hooks: 3.5mm, 3mm ★ Square cushion pad, 40cm (16in) ★ Tapestry/yarn needle ★ Scissors ★ Tape measure

Cover: fits a 40cm square pad

TENSION SQUARE

★ 15 sts x 8 rows
★ 10cm x 10cm
★ Treble crochet
★ 3.5mm hook

We say

"This project uses a 2trCL (2-treble cluster) - head to p142 for our how-to tutorial"

BEFORE YOU START

BE SURE TO WRAP THE YARN ROUND THE HOOK THE WAY THAT IS SHOWN IN OUR DIAGRAMS ON P142, OR YOUR STITCHES WILL LOOK DIFFERENT AND SOME TECHNIQUES WILL BE VERY DIFFICULT TO WORK

FRONT

Foundation chain: Using size 3.5mm hook and Gold yarn, make 74ch

☐ Row 1 (WS): 1tr in 4th ch from hook, *3ch, miss 2ch, 1dc in next ch, 1ch, miss 1 ch, 1dc in next ch, 3ch, miss 2 ch, 1tr in next ch, 1ch, miss 1 ch, 1tr in next ch; rep from * to end

☐ Row 2 (RS): 1ch, 1dc in first tr, 1tr in first 1-ch sp (between first 2 tr), 2ch, *miss next 3-ch sp, [2trCL, 1ch, 2trCL, 1ch, 2trCL] all in next 1-ch sp (between 2 dc), 2ch, miss next 3-ch sp**, 1dc in next 1-ch sp (between 2 tr), 2ch; rep from * ending last rep at **, miss last tr, 2dc in top of 3-ch at end of row

☐ Row 3 (WS): 1ch, 1dc in first dc, 1ch, miss next dc, 1dc in next 2-ch sp, *3ch, miss next 2trCL, 1tr in next 1-ch sp (between 2trCLs), 1ch, miss next 2trCL, 1tr in next 1-ch sp (between 2trCLs), 3ch, 1dc in next 2-ch sp, 1ch**, 1dc in next 2-ch sp; rep from * ending last rep at **, 1dc in last dc

☐ Row 4 (RS): 3ch, [2trCL, 1ch, 2trCL] all in first 1-ch sp (between 2 dc), 2ch, miss next 3-ch sp, 1dc in next 1-ch sp, (between 2 tr), 2ch, *miss next 3-ch sp, [2trCL, 1ch, 2trCL, 1ch, 2trCL] all in next 1-ch sp (between 2 dc), 2ch, miss next 3-ch sp, 1dc in next 1-ch sp (between 2 tr), 2ch; rep from * to last 3-ch sp, miss last 3-ch sp, [2trCL, 1ch, 2trCL] all in next 1-ch sp (between last 2 dc), 1tr in last dc

☐ Row 5 (WS): 3ch, 1 tr in first 1-ch sp (between 2trCLs), 3ch, 1dc in next 2-ch sp, 1ch, 1dc in next 2-ch sp, *3ch, miss next 2trCL, 1tr in next 1-ch sp (between 2trCLs), 1ch, miss next 2trCL, 1tr in next 1-ch sp (between 2trCLs), 3ch, 1dc in next 2-ch sp, 1ch, 1dc in next ch 2-sp; rep from *, ending 3ch, miss next 2trCL, 1tr in next 1-ch sp (between 2trCLs), 1ch, 1tr in top of 3-ch at end of row. Rep Rows 2-5 until work measures approximately 40cm (16in), ending on a Row 2 – about 42 rows will have been worked Fasten off

BACK

Make exactly as for the front

DAISY

☐ Foundation ring: Using 3mm hook and yarn A, make 6ch and join with a ss in first ch to form a ring

☐ Round 1 (RS): 1ch (counts as 1dc), 10dc in ring, join with a ss in first ch. 11 sts Fasten off A.

☐ Round 2 (RS): With RS facing, using yarn B and working in front loop only of each dc, join yarn with a ss in any st in Round 1, *6ch, 1htr in 3rd ch from hook, 1tr in each of next 2 ch, 1dc in next ch, 1ss in same front loop as last ss was worked, 1ss in front loop of next dc of Round 1; rep from *, ending with 1ss in same front loop as first ss of round. 11 petals Fasten off

TO MAKE UP

Using a yarn needle, sew in all yarn ends on the crochet pieces. Pin the Front and the Back with RS together, matching rows and leaving the top edge open. Sew seam tog along the three pinned edges, using a yarn needle and overcast stitch. Turn cover RS out, insert pad, pin top edges tog and sew along top using mattress stitch. Sew Daisy to the centre of the Front

Weekend Make

DESIGNER **NICKI TRENCH**

LIGHTWEIGHT LACE SCARF

Use a soft silky yarn to craft delicate fan patterns in this textured piece

MAKE ME ON DAYS
15-16

Intermediate

KIT LIST

★ Fyberspates Scrumptious Lace merino wool/silk blend yarn, 507 Teal, one hank ★ Crochet hook, 5mm ★ Yarn sewing needle ★ Scissors ★ Tape measure

Scarf: 26.5cm x 133cm

TENSION SQUARE

★ 18 sts x 10 rows
★ 10cm x 10cm
★ Treble crochet
★ 5mm hook

★ 3 fans x 10 rows
★ 10cm x 10cm
★ Fan and V-st pattern
★ 5mm hook

We say

"As scarves don't require any shaping, they're ideal to practise new stitch patterns"

BEFORE YOU START

MAKE A SPARE COPY OF PATTERNS AND MARK OFF EACH COMPLETED ROW, SO IF YOU GET INTERRUPTED IT'LL BE EASY TO KNOW WHERE YOU WERE UP TO

Using 5mm needles, make 82ch

☐ Row 1 (RS): 1dc in 2nd ch from hook, 1dc in next ch, *miss 3 ch, Fan in next ch, miss 3 ch, 1dc in next ch**, 1ch, miss 1 ch, 1dc in next ch; rep from * ending last rep at **, 1dc in last ch

☐ Row 2: 2ch (counts as first htr), 1htr in first dc, *2ch, 1dc in 1 ch sp at centre of next Fan, 2ch**, V-st in 1 ch sp between next 2 dc; rep from * ending last rep at **, miss next dc, 2htr in last dc

☐ Row 3: 3ch (counts as first tr), 3tr in first htr, *1dc in next 2 ch sp, 1ch, 1dc in next 2 ch sp**, Fan in 1 ch sp at centre of next V-st; rep from * ending last rep at **, 4tr in top of 2ch at end of row

☐ Row 4: 1ch, 1dc in first tr, *2ch, V-st in next 1 ch sp between next 2 dc, 2ch**, 1dc in 1 ch sp at centre of next Fan; rep from * ending last rep at **, 1dc in top of 3ch at end of row

☐ Row 5: 1ch, 1dc in first dc, *1dc in next 2 ch sp, Fan in 1 ch sp at centre of next V-st, 1dc in next 2 ch sp **, 1ch; rep from * ending last rep at **, 1dc in last dc. Rep Rows 2-5 until scarf measures 123cm, ending on a Row 2 (a WS row) Do not fasten off, but work top edging along this last row

TOP EDGING

With RS facing, beg picot-shell edging across last row of scarf as follows:

☐ Row 1 (RS): 4ch (counts as first tr and 1 ch sp), 1tr in first htr, *(2trCL, 3ch, 2trCL) in next dc at centre of Fan**, (1tr, 3ch, 1tr) in 1 ch sp at centre of next V-st; rep from * ending last rep at **, (1tr, 1ch, 1tr) in 2ch at end of row

☐ Row 2: 4ch, 1tr in first tr, *(2trCL, 3ch, 2trCL) in 3 ch sp at centre of next 2 clusters**, (1tr, 3ch, 1tr) in next 3 ch sp at centre of next '1tr, 3ch, 1tr' group; rep from * ending last rep at **, (1tr, 1ch, 1tr) in 4 ch sp at end of row

☐ Row 3: 1ch, 1dc in first tr, 2ch, *5tr in next 3 ch sp between clusters, 2ch**, 1dc in next 3 ch sp between trebles, 2ch; rep from * ending last rep at **, 1dc in 4 ch sp at end of row

☐ Row 4 (picot row): 1 sl st in first dc, *1ch, (1dc in next tr, 3-ch picot) five times, 1 sl st in same place as last dc was worked, 1ch, 1 sl st in next dc; rep from * to end of row Fasten off

BOTTOM EDGING

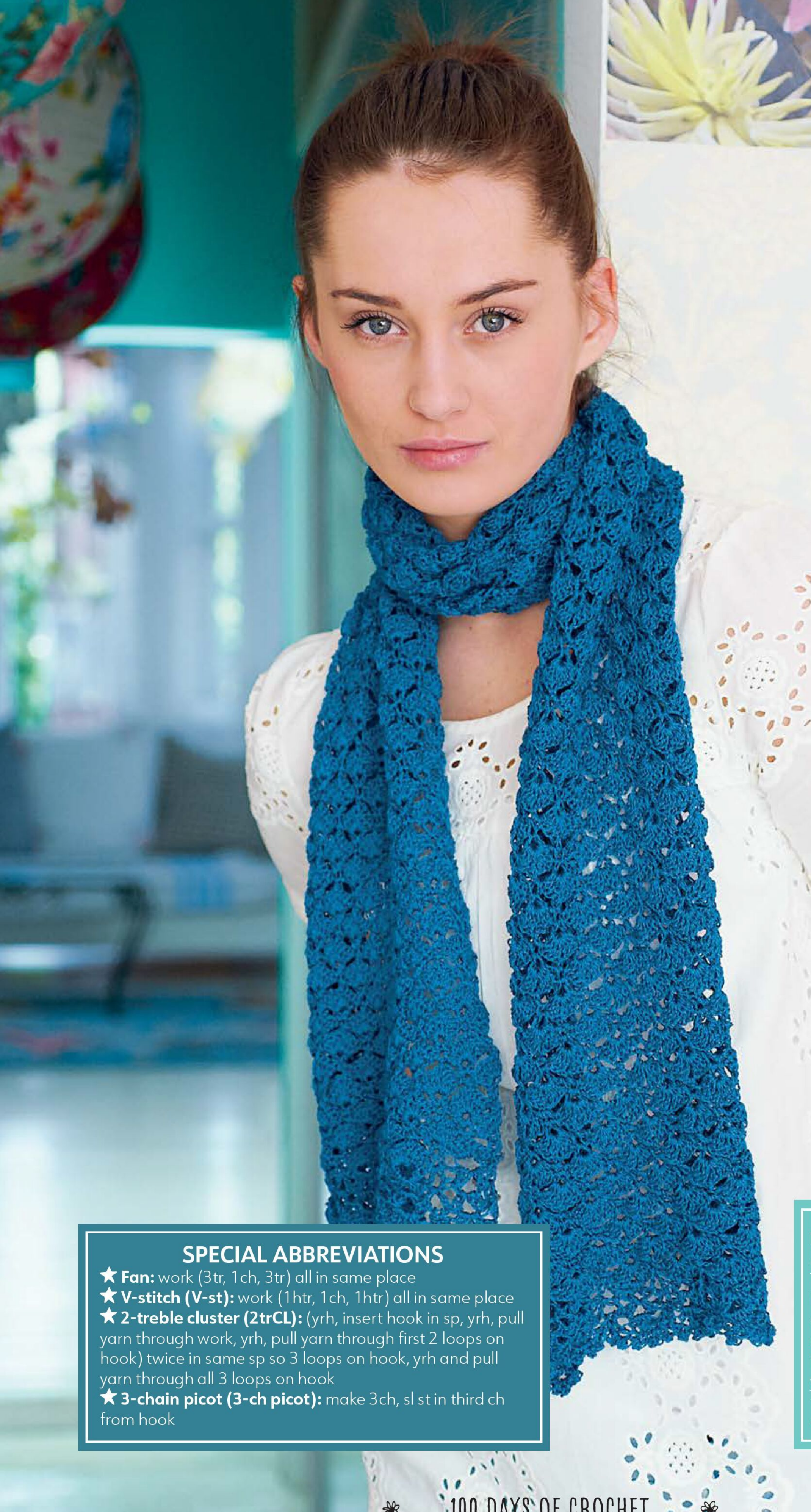
Work other edging along underside of foundation chain at other end of scarf. With RS facing, join with a sl st in first ch of foundation chain and work picot-shell edging as follows:

☐ Row 1 (RS): 4ch (counts as first tr and 1 ch sp), 1tr in same foundation ch, *(2trCL, 3ch, 2trCL) in centre of bottom of next Fan**, (1tr, 3ch, 1tr) in next 1 ch sp between 2 dc in Row 1 of scarf; rep from * ending last rep at **, (1tr, 1ch, 1tr) in last foundation ch

☐ Rows 2-4: Work as for Rows 2-4 of top edging. Fasten off

TO MAKE UP

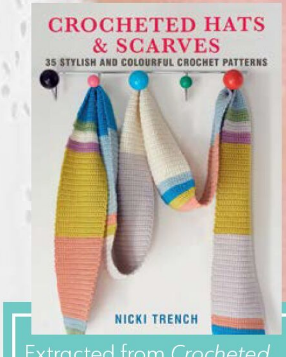
Sew in yarn ends. Do not press



ONE BALL WONDER

WHY NOT TRY...

Once you're familiar with the fan pattern, it's easy to repurpose into a delicate shawl or blanket



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SPECIAL ABBREVIATIONS

★ **Fan:** work (3tr, 1ch, 3tr) all in same place

★ **V-stitch (V-st):** work (1htr, 1ch, 1htr) all in same place

★ **2-treble cluster (2trCL):** (yrh, insert hook in sp, yrh, pull yarn through work, yrh, pull yarn through first 2 loops on hook) twice in same sp so 3 loops on hook, yrh and pull yarn through all 3 loops on hook

★ **3-chain picot (3-ch picot):** make 3ch, sl st in third ch from hook

Weekend Make

DESIGNER **TINA BARRETT**

BABY SLEEP SET

This snuggly hat and sleeping bag set is perfect for slipping on over a romper suit

MAKE ME ON DAYS 22-23

Intermediate

KIT LIST

- ★ Artesano Inca Cloud superfine alpaca yarn: Navy, Cream, three 50g balls of each for sleeping bag, one of each for hat
- ★ Crochet hook, 3.5mm
- ★ Snap fasteners, 12
- ★ Star buttons, red: five medium, one large
- ★ Tapestry needle
- ★ Scissors ★ Tape measure

To fit: 0-6 months, 61cm around chest, 56cm length from shoulder
Hat: 38cm circumference

TENSION SQUARE

- ★ 19 sts x 13 rows
- ★ 10cm x 10cm
- ★ Half treble stitch
- ★ 3.5mm hook

We say

"The star buttons add a colourful finishing touch, but are purely decorative"

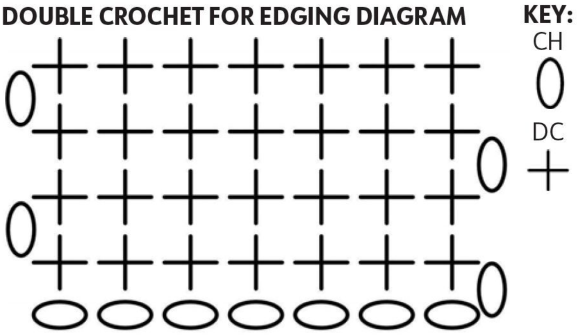
BEFORE YOU START

IF GIFTING YOUR CROCHET CREATIONS, MAKE SURE YOU INCLUDE WASH INSTRUCTIONS SO THE RECIPIENT KNOWS HOW TO CARE FOR THE FABRIC

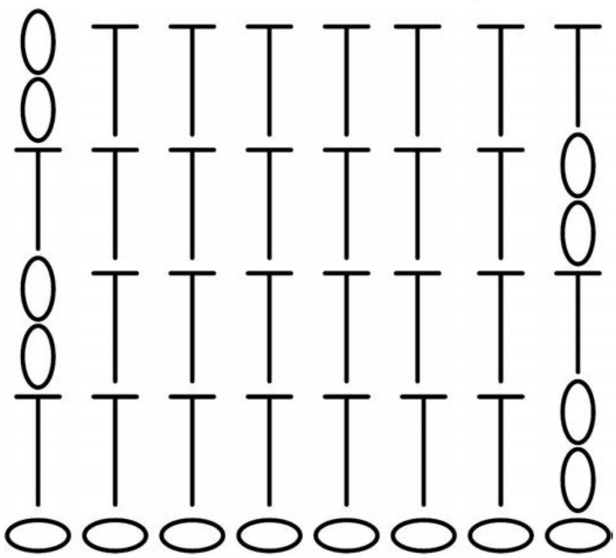
STRIPE PATTERN

2 ROWS CREAM, 2 ROWS NAVY

DOUBLE CROCHET FOR EDGING DIAGRAM



HALF TREBLE STITCH DIAGRAM **KEY:** CH HTR



SLEEPING BAG

BACK

Using 3.5mm hook and Cream, make 62ch

☐ Foundation row (RS): miss 3ch, 1htr into each ch st to end. 60 sts

☐ Next row: 2ch, 1htr into each st to end

Rep last row, working even in stripe patt, until work measures 41cm

Break off yarn

Shape armholes

Miss first 5 sts, rejoin yarn to next st, make 2ch, 1htr into each of next 50 sts, turn. 50 sts

Keeping to stripe patt, work even for a further 13cm

Fasten off

FRONT

NOTE: there is a lot of shaping in the front flaps. Remember to keep to the stripe patt (2 rows Cream, 2 rows Navy) throughout

LEFT FLAP

Using the 3.5mm hook and Cream, make 12ch

☐ Foundation row (RS): miss 3ch, 1htr into each ch st to end. 10 sts

☐ Rows 1-3: 2ch, 1htr into each st to end

☐ Row 4: 2ch, htr across until last st, 2htr into last st. 11 sts

☐ Row 5: 2ch, 2htr into first st, htr to end. 12 sts

Rep rows 4-5 until there are 50 sts

☐* Next row: 2ch, htr across until last 2 sts, htr2tog. 49 sts

☐ Next row: 2ch, miss first st, htr to end. 48 sts

Still keeping to stripe patt, rep these 2 dec rows until there are 40 sts

Break off yarn

Shape armhole

Miss first 5 sts. Rejoin yarn to next st, htr across until last 2 sts, htr2tog. 34 sts

Cont to decrease 1 st at neck edge as set, until 27 sts rem

Shape neck

☐ Next row: 2ch, 1htr into each of next 22 sts. 22 sts.

Cont to dec 1 st at neck edge as set until 18 sts rem.

Work even in stripe patt until front measures same as back

Fasten off

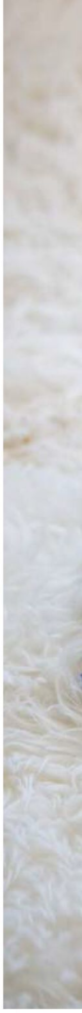
RIGHT FLAP

Using 3.5mm hook and Cream, make 62ch

☐ Foundation row (RS): miss 3ch, 1htr into each ch to end. 60 sts

☐ Rows 1-3: 2ch, 1htr into each st to end, remembering to work in stripe patt

Work even until back flap measures 10 rows less than front flap at widest point



GREAT FOR GIFTING

☐ Next row: 2ch, htr across to last 2 sts, htr2tog. 59 sts
☐ Next row: 2ch, miss first st, htr to end. 58 sts
Still keeping to stripe patt, rep these 2 dec rows until 50 sts rem
Work as for left flap from * to end, reversing all shapings
Fasten off

TO MAKE UP

Darn in all loose yarn ends and press lightly. Join shoulder and side seams.

Front border
With RS facing, using the 3.5mm hook and Navy, join yarn to bottom corner of right front with a sl st, 1ch, work a row of dc evenly up right front, across back of neck and down left front, working 3dc into front corners and points, turn
☐ Rows 1-2: 1ch, 1dc into each st, working 3dc into front corners and points, turn
Fasten off

Lower button border
Using 3.5mm hook and Navy, with RS facing, join yarn to corner of lower edge, 1ch,work a row of dc evenly across bottom edge of left flap, back and right flap, turn
☐ Rows 1-6: 1ch, 1dc into each st, turn
Fasten off

Armhole edging
Using the 3.5mm hook and Navy, with RS facing, join yarn to armhole edge, 1ch, work a round of dc evenly around armhole, ending with a sl st to 1ch to join
☐ Rows 1-2: 1ch, 1dc into each st, ending with a sl st to 1ch to join
Fasten off
Rep for second armhole
Darn in any rem yarn ends. Fold Flaps into place. Position eight snap fasteners evenly along the join between Right and Left front flaps, from neck to lower border. Sew firmly in place. Position four snap fasteners evenly between Back and Front, along lower button border. Sew firmly in place. Sew large red star button to the front flap at point. Sew four medium red star buttons along button border directly over the place where the snap fasteners are positioned.

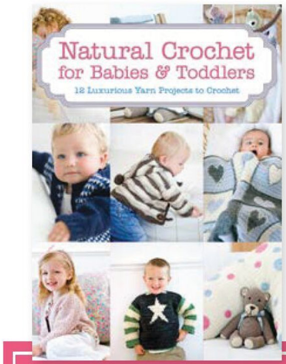
HAT

Using 3.5mm hook and Cream, make 72ch
☐ Foundation row: miss 3ch, 1htr into each ch to end. 70 sts
☐ Next row: 2ch, 1htr into each st to end
Rep last row, working even in stripe patt, until work measures 15cm
Fasten off
Darn in loose yarn ends. Press lightly. Sew up rear seam of hat. Sew top seam of hat.

Edging
☐ Foundation rnd: using Navy and with RS facing, join yarn to lower edge of hat, 1ch, work a rnd of dc evenly around edge, sl st to 1ch to join rnd
☐ Rows 1-5: 1ch, 1dc into each st, sl st to 1ch to join rnd
Fasten off and darn in yarn ends. Fold hat tips together and sew. Place button on join and sew firmly in place.

WHY NOT TRY...

You could also work this piece up in one solid colour, then use a contrast colour for the edging


Natural Crochet for Babies & Toddlers
12 Luxurious Yarn Projects to Crochet

Extracted from *Natural Crochet for Babies & Toddlers* by Tina Barrett, £5.99, GMC Publications. Inside you'll find cute and colourful crochet projects for tots, including a corn fibre sundress and leggings, cotton toy rabbit, soy silk matinee jacket, hooded jumper and more.

Weekend Make

DESIGNER **HEATHER GIBBS**

DRESS ME UP DOLLY

MAKE ME ON DAYS 29-30

Make this sweet little lady with a whole wardrobe of miniature clothing

Intermediate

KIT LIST

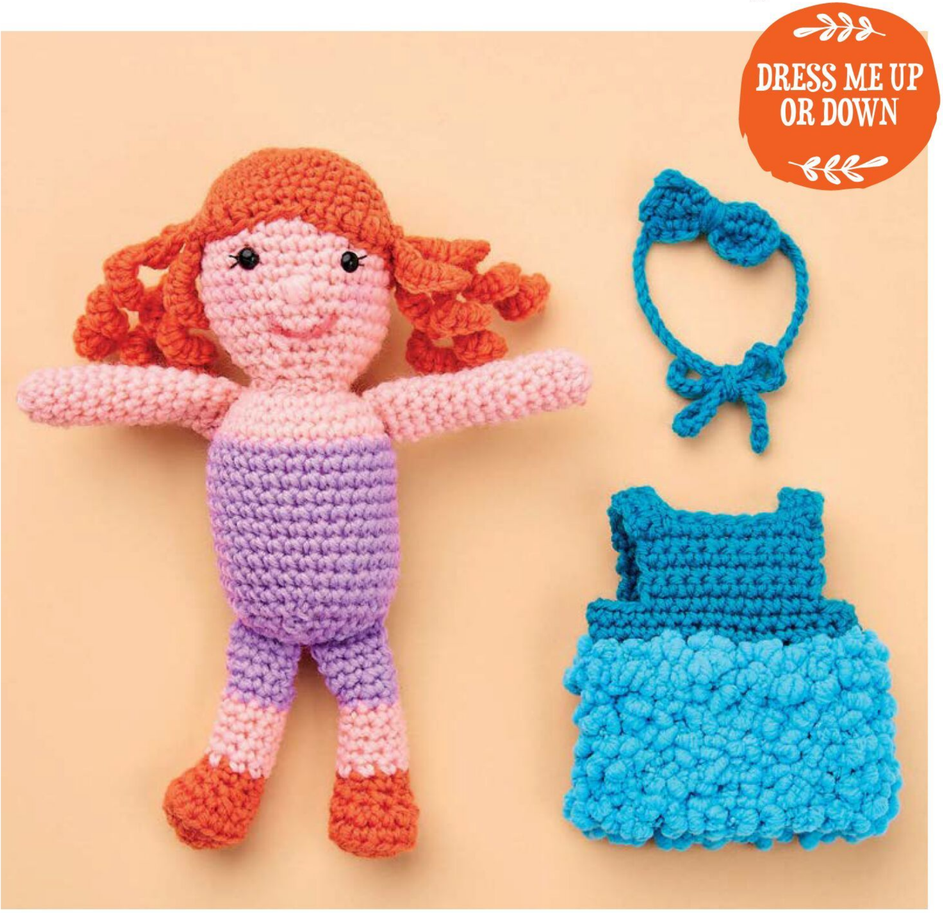
★ DK yarn: Shell Pink, Soft Coral, Cool Lilac, Sea Green (blue), Bright Pink, Wheat Brown, Petunia Pink, Meadow Mix (variegated blue), Orchid Green, Daffodil Yellow ★ Pom-pom yarn, blue ★ Crochet hooks: 3mm, 4mm ★ Stitch markers ★ Tapestry needle ★ Stuffing ★ Safety eyes, 8mm, two ★ Thread, black ★ Sewing needle ★ Blusher (optional) ★ Buttons, small, three ★ Scissors ★ Tape measure

Doll: 23cm tall
Pom-pom dress: 12cm tall
Variegated dress: 11cm tall
Hair bow: 5cm wide (exc. tie)
Bag: 5.5cm wide
Hat: 30cm circumference

We say "Variegated yarn will take the challenge out of colour-changes"

BEFORE YOU START

USE THE PATTERNS AND SKILLS YOU'VE LEARNED TO CREATE EVEN MORE GARMENTS AND EXTRAS



DRESS ME UP OR DOWN

DOLL

HEAD

Using 4mm hook and Shell Pink make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

☐ Rnd 1: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts

☐ Rnd 2: (1dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 18 sts

☐ Rnd 3: (2dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 24 sts

☐ Rnd 4: (3dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 30 sts

☐ Rnds 5-9: 1dc in each st to end

☐ Rnd 10: 14dc, MB in next st, 1dc in each st to end

☐ Rnds 11-12: 1dc in each st to end

☐ Rnd 13: (3dc, dc2tog) to end. 24 sts

Insert safety eyes between Rnds 8-9, approx five sts apart with nose in between

☐ Rnd 14: (2dc, dc2tog) to end. 18 sts

☐ Rnd 15: (1dc, dc2tog) to end. 12 sts

☐ Rnd 16: 1dc in each st to end

Fasten off, leaving a long tail

HAIR

Using 4mm hook and Soft Coral make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

☐ Rnds 1-8: rep Rnds 1-8 of Head. 30 sts

☐ Rnd 9: 1dc, 1htr, 2tr, 1htr, 1dc, sl st in next two sts, 1dc, 1htr, 1tr, 1htr in each st to last st, 1dc

Fasten off, leaving a long tail

RINGLET (MAKE 6)

Using 4mm hook and Soft Coral make 15ch

☐ Row 1: 3dc in second ch from hook and 3dc in each st to last three sts, 1dc in each st to end

Fasten off, leaving a long tail

BODY

Using 4mm hook and Shell Pink make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

☐ Rnds 1-5: rep Rnds 1-5 of Head. 30 sts

Change to Cool Lilac

☐ Rnds 6-15: 1dc in each st to end

☐ Rnd 16: (3dc, dc2tog) to end. 24 sts

☐ Rnd 17: (2dc, dc2tog) to end. 18 sts

☐ Rnd 18: (1dc, dc2tog) to end. 12 sts

☐ Rnd 19: (dc2tog) to end. Six sts

Fasten off, leaving a long tail

ARM (MAKE 2)

Using 4mm hook and Shell Pink make a magic ring, work 8dc into ring. Eight sts

☐ Rnds 1-13: 1dc in each st to end

Fasten off, leaving a long tail

LEG (MAKE 2)

Using 4mm hook and Soft Coral make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

☐ Rnd 1: (1dc, [2dc in next st] twice) to end. Ten sts

☐ Rnd 2: (2dc, [2dc in next st] three times) to end. 16 sts

☐ Rnd 3: working in BLO, 1dc in each st to end

☐ Rnd 4: dc2tog, 1dc in each st to last six sts, (dc2tog) three times. 12 sts

☐ Rnd 5: dc2tog, 1dc in each st to last four sts, (dc2tog) twice. Nine sts

☐ Rnd 6: 1dc in each st to end

Change to Shell Pink

☐ Rnds 7-11: 1dc in each st to end

Change to Cool Lilac

☐ Rnds 12-16: 1dc in each st to end

Fasten off, leaving a long tail

TO MAKE UP

Using black thread, embroider eyelashes next to eyes on Head. Using two strands of Bright Pink, embroider mouth over Rnds 12-13. Stuff Head. Attach Hair to top of Head. Line up sl sts at front of Hair crown with nose. Sew three Ringlets to each side of Head. Sew Body closed and attach Head. Stuff Arms up to Rnd 8 and sew to Body. Stuff Legs up to Rnd 13 and attach to Body. Apply blusher to cheeks (optional). Weave in all ends

IN STITCHES

Make bobble (MB): (yoh, insert hook in indicated st, yoh, pull up a loop) three times. Nine loops on hook. Yoh and pull through all loops on hook

PUFFBALL DRESS

Using 4mm hook and Pom-pom make ch a little bigger than needed to fit around Body of Doll, join with a sl st to make a ring

☐ Rnds 1-6: 1dc in each st to end

Change to Sea Green

☐ Rnds 7-9: 1dc in each st to end

NOTE: now working in rows to make dress front

☐ Row 1: 1ch, 10dc, turn

☐ Rows 2-6: 1ch, 1dc in each st to end

Fasten off

Miss six sts from where you fastened off and reattach Sea Green to next st

☐ Rows 7-12: rep Rows 1-6, turn

NOTE: now working shorter rows to make first strap

☐ Rows 13-19: 1ch, 2dc, turn, on last row fasten off, sew yarn tail to first two sts of dress front

Fasten off

Miss six sts from where you fastened off and reattach Sea Green to next st

☐ Rows 20-26: rep Rows 13-19

Fasten off

TO MAKE UP

Weave in all ends

HAIR BOW

Using 4mm hook and Sea Green make 8ch

☐ Row 1: starting in second ch from hook, 1dc in each st to end, turn. Seven sts

☐ Rows 2-4: 1ch, 1dc in each st to end, turn

Fasten off

Wrap length of Sea Green around centre eight times, fasten off

Using 4mm hook and Sea Green attach yarn to back of Bow on left-hand side as folls: sl st around post of st near centre of Bow, 50ch, sl st in second ch from hook, sl st in each ch to end, fasten off

Rep for right-hand side

TO MAKE UP

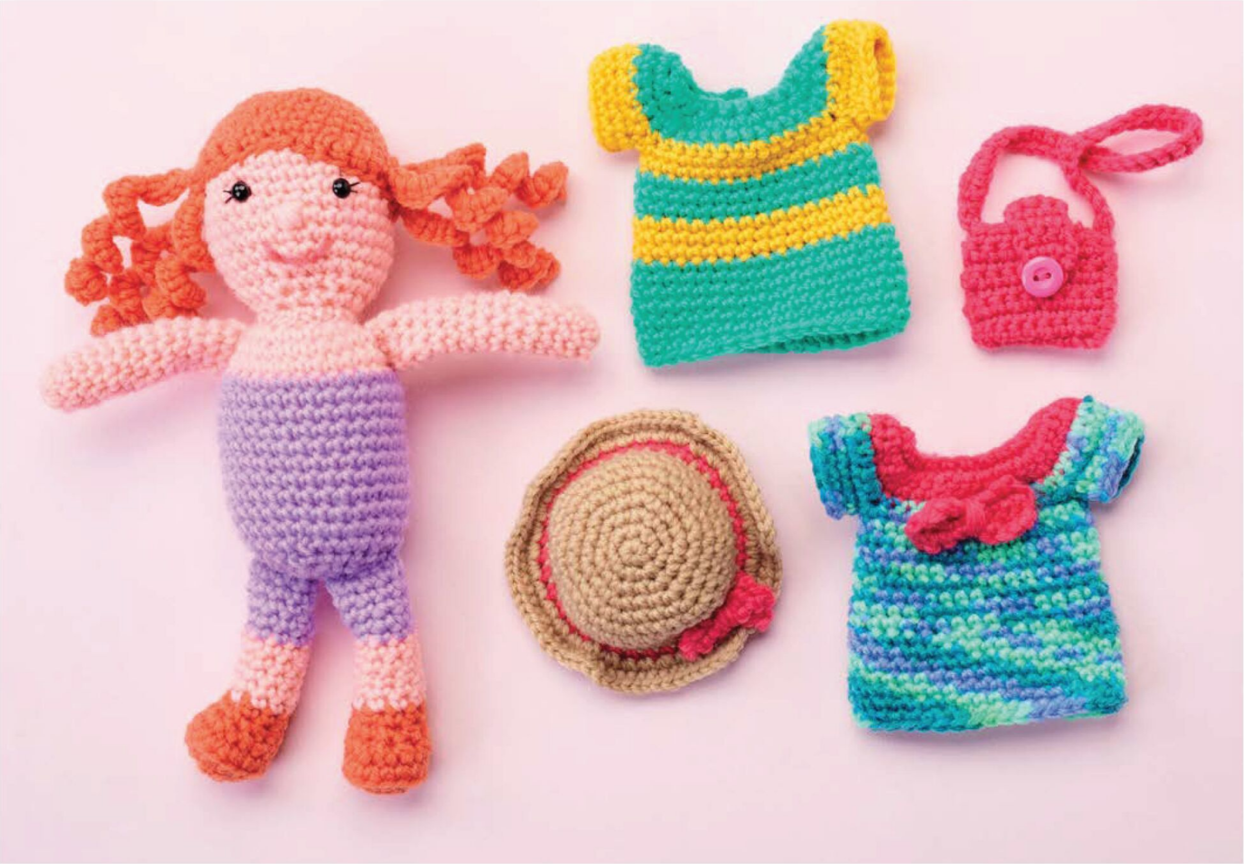
Weave in all ends

HANDLING POM-POM YARN

★ You may find you need to crochet more loosely and more slowly than you are used to – ease your hook gently through the fluff, don't yank it.

★ This sort of yarn can make it a little tricky to count stitches. Try using more than one stitch marker to help you count rounds. You could also insert your hook between the posts of the stitches instead of inserting your hook into the stitch; as you work along each row you can feel for the gaps with your finger.

★ The good news is that a stitch gained or lost here and there isn't the end of the world as the yarn is so fluffy it will cover up the occasional slip.



HAT

Using 3mm hook and Wheat Brown make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

☐ Rnd 1: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts

☐ Rnd 2: (1dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 18 sts

☐ Rnd 3: (2dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 24 sts

☐ Rnd 4: (3dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 30 sts

☐ Rnd 5: (4dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 36 sts

☐ Rnds 6-10: 1dc in each st to end

Change to Petunia Pink

☐ Rnd 11: 1dc in each st to end

Change to Wheat Brown

☐ Rnd 12: 2dc in each st to end. 72 sts

☐ Rnd 13: (11dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 78 sts

Fasten off

BOW

Using 3mm hook and Petunia Pink make 6ch

☐ Row 1: starting in second ch from hook, 1dc in each st to end. Five sts

☐ Rows 2-3: 1ch, 1dc in each st to end

Fasten off

Wrap length of Petunia Pink around centre of crochet strip eight times

Fasten off, leaving a long tail

HANDBAG

Using 3mm hook and Petunia Pink make 10ch

☐ Row 1: starting in second ch from hook, 1dc in each st to end. Nine sts

☐ Rows 2-7: 1ch, 1dc in each st to end

☐ Row 8: 1ch, dc2tog, 5dc, dc2tog. Seven sts

☐ Row 9: 2dc in next st, 5dc, 2dc in next st. Nine sts

☐ Rows 10-15: 1ch, 1dc in each st to end

Fasten off

CATCH

Using 3mm hook and Petunia Pink make 4ch

☐ Row 1: starting in second ch from hook, 1dc in each st to end. Three sts

☐ Rows 2-10: 1ch, 1dc in each st to end

☐ Row 11: 4ch, miss one st, sl st in last st (creates buttonhole)

Fasten off, leaving a long tail

STRAP

Using 3mm hook and Petunia Pink make 41ch

☐ Row 1: starting in second ch from hook, 1dc in each st to end. 40 sts

Fasten off, leaving a long tail

VARIEGATED DRESS

Using 3mm hook and Petunia Pink make 25ch

☐ Row 1: starting in second ch from hook, 1dc in each st to end. 24 sts

☐ Row 2: 2dc in each st to end. 48 sts

☐ Row 3: 1dc in each st to end

Change to Meadow Mix

☐ Row 4: (7dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 54 sts

NOTE: now working in rnds, use a st marker to mark first st

☐ Rnd 1: 8dc, miss 12 sts (for armhole), 2dc in next st, 12dc, 2dc in next st, miss 12 sts (for second armhole), 1dc in each st to end. 32 sts

☐ Rnds 2-9: 1dc in each st to end

☐ Rnd 10: (7dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 36 sts

☐ Rnds 11-16: 1dc in each st to end

Fasten off

* **NOTE:** now working short sleeves

Attach Meadow Mix to armhole

☐ Rnds 17-19: 1dc in each st to end

Fasten off

Attach Meadow Mix to second armhole

☐ Rnds 20-22: 1dc in each st to end

Fasten off

To make button loop, reattach Petunia Pink to edge of Row 1, 5ch, miss row, sl st to end of Row 4

Fasten off *

BOW

Using 3mm hook and Petunia Pink make 8ch

☐ Row 1: starting in second ch from hook, 1dc in each st to end. Seven sts

☐ Rows 2-4: 1ch, 1dc in each st to end

Fasten off

Wrap length of Petunia Pink around centre of crochet strip eight times

Fasten off, leaving a long tail

STRIPED DRESS

Using 3mm hook and Orchid Green make 25ch

☐ Rows 1-3: rep Rows 1-3 of Variegated Dress. 48 sts

Change to Daffodil Yellow

NOTE: now working in rnds, use a st marker to mark first st

Work in foll stripe sequence: two rnds Daffodil Yellow, three rnds Orchid Green, three rnds Daffodil Yellow, eight rnds Orchid Green

☐ Rnd 1: 8dc, miss 12 sts (for armhole), 2dc in next st, 12dc, 2dc in next st, miss 12 sts (for second armhole), 1dc in each st to end. 32 sts

☐ Rnds 2-9: 1dc in each st to end

☐ Rnd 10: (7dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 36 sts

☐ Rnds 11-16: 1dc in each st to end

Fasten off

NOTE: now working short sleeves

Rep from * to * of Variegated Dress, using Daffodil Yellow for short sleeves and Orchid Green for button loop

TO MAKE UP

Sew Bow to Hat. For Handbag, use tail ends to sew up both sides, leaving top of bag open. Attach Row 1 of Handbag Catch to middle of back of bag. Attach button to front of Handbag, to match buttonhole size. Sew Strap to both sides of Handbag. Attach buttons to Dresses, to match buttonhole size. Sew Bow to Variegated Dress. Weave in all ends

TOP TIP! MANY SECTIONS IN THESE PATTERNS ARE WORKED WITHOUT JOINING IN CONTINUOUS ROUNDS, SO BE SURE TO PLACE A STITCH MARKER IN THE TOP OF THE FIRST STITCH TO MARK THE START OF THE ROUND

CHANGING COLOUR

1 Before working that final stitch of the first colour, grab the second colour with your hook

2 Pull up a loop with your second colour – you might have to tug gently on the yarn end of your first colour to keep the loops from getting too big

3 If you're using the first colour again within the next few rows or rounds, don't cut the yarn; leave it attached so that you can carry it up the sides and avoid having to weave in more ends. If you don't have to use the first colour again any time soon (or simply prefer not to carry the yarn up the sides) then cut the first colour, leaving a long tail approximately 15cm long

4 Now that you have brought your second colour through, you can begin working with it!

Weekend Make

DESIGNER **HELEN ARDLEY**

MAKE ME ON DAYS 36-37

RUFFLED EDGE SHAWL

Use bobbles to add texture and dimension to this lacy wrap

Intermediate

KIT LIST

★ Rowan Fine Lace wool/alpaca blend yarn, three 50g balls ★ Crochet hook, 3mm ★ Tapestry needle ★ Scissors ★ Tape measure

Shawl: 32cm x 160cm

TENSION SQUARE

- ★ 29 sts x 14 rows
- ★ 10cm x 10cm
- ★ Over pattern
- ★ 3mm hook

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We say

"This wrap makes a perfect pairing with a summery occasion dress"

BEFORE YOU START

BOBBLES ARE MADE SIMILARLY TO A CROCHET CLUSTER BUT ARE WORKED INTO THE SAME STITCH FOR A 3D-EFFECT

WRAP

Using 3mm hook make 103 ch

☐ Row 1 (RS): 1tr in fourth ch from hook, 1tr in each of next three ch, * 4ch, miss four ch, 1dc in next ch, 3ch, miss one ch, 1dc in next ch, 4ch, miss four ch, 1tr in each of next five ch, rep from * to end, turn

☐ Row 2: 3ch (counts as first tr), 1tr in each of next four tr, * 2ch, 1dc in next 4ch sp, 1ch, 7tr in next 3ch sp, 1ch, 1dc in next 4ch sp, 2ch, 1tr in each of next five tr, rep from * to end working last tr in third of 3ch at beg of prev row, turn

☐ Row 3: 3ch (counts as first tr), 1tr in each of next four tr, * 1ch, MB in next tr, (3ch, miss one tr, MB in next tr) three times, 1ch, 1tr in each of next five tr, rep from * to end working last tr in third of 3ch at beg of prev row, turn

☐ Row 4: 3ch (counts as first tr), 1tr in each of next four tr, * 2ch, 1dc in next 3ch sp, (3ch, 1dc in next 3ch sp) twice, 2ch, 1tr in each of next five tr, rep from * to end working last tr in third of 3ch at beg of prev row, turn

☐ Row 5: 3ch (counts as first tr), 1tr in each of next four tr, * 4ch, miss 2ch sp, 1dc in next 3ch sp, 3ch, 1dc in next 3ch sp, 4ch, 1tr in each of next five tr, rep from * to end working last tr in third of 3ch at beg of prev row

☐ Rows 2-5 form patt

Cont in patt until work meas 155cm ending after a Row 5

Do NOT fasten off

RUFFLE EDGING

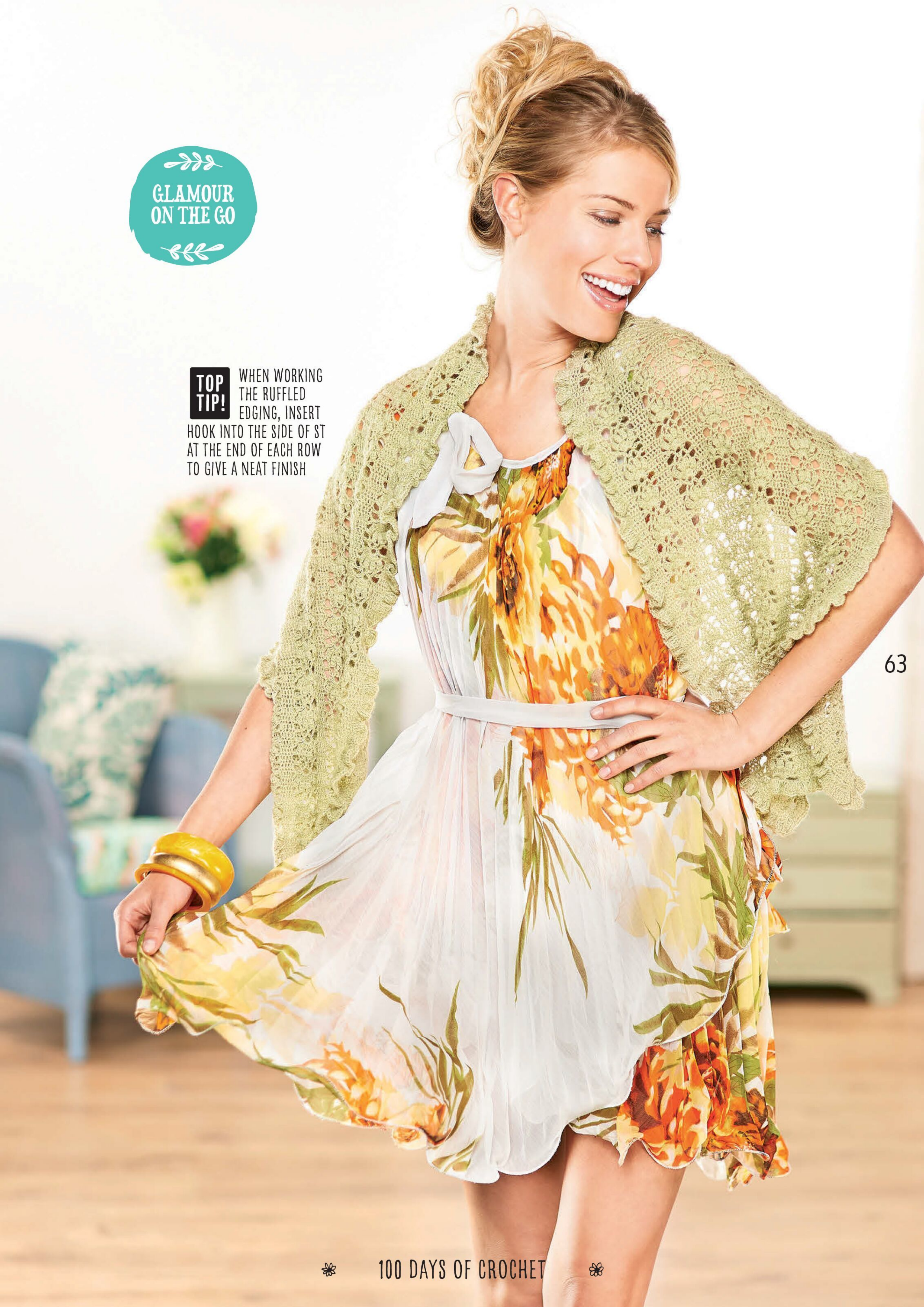
Using 3mm hook, work along long edge as folls: 4ch (counts as first dtr), 2dtr in top of same st, 3dtr in side of same st, cont along long edge working 3dtr in top of row-end and 3dtr in side of row, work 3dtr in each st along Foundation ch, work along other long edge and top of last row of main section to match

Fasten off

Weave in ends

IN STITCHES

Make bobble (MB): * yoh, insert hook into st, yoh, pull through st, yoh, pull through first two loops, rep from * in same st three more times [five loops on hook], yoh, pull through all five loops



GLAMOUR ON THE GO

TOP TIP! WHEN WORKING THE RUFFLED EDGING, INSERT HOOK INTO THE SIDE OF ST AT THE END OF EACH ROW TO GIVE A NEAT FINISH

Weekend Make

DESIGNER **NICKI TRENCH**

POM-POM BABY HAT

MAKE ME ON DAYS 43-44

Keep little ones warm on blustery days with this sweet pom-pom-topped beanie

Intermediate

KIT LIST

★ Debbie Bliss Rialto DK merino wool yarn: (A) 09 Apple, (B) 02 Ecru, one ball of each ★ Crochet hook, 3.5mm ★ Yarn needle ★ Scissors ★ Tape measure

Hat: 17.5cm long (crown to edge) x 45-50cm circumference (to fit ages 12-36 months)

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We say

"This cute hat is made with pure merino yarn so it will not irritate delicate skin"

BEFORE YOU START

EXACT TENSION IS NOT ESSENTIAL FOR THIS PROJECT, JUST ADJUST THE HOOK SIZE AS NECESSARY TO ACHIEVE A FIRM FABRIC

HAT

Using 3.5mm hook and yarn A, make 76ch

☐ Row 1: 1dc in next ch from hook, 1dc in each ch to end

☐ Rows 2-3: 1ch, 1dc in each st to end

☐ Row 4: 1ch, 1dc in each of next 5 sts, 2dc in next st, *1dc in each of next 4 sts, 2dc in next st; rep from * to last 5 sts, 1dc in each of next 5 sts. 90 sts

☐ Row 5: 1dc in each st to end. 90 sts

Change to yarn B

☐ Rows 6-7: 1dc in each st. 90 sts

Change to yarn A

☐ Rows 8-9: 1dc in each st. 90 sts

Change to yarn B

☐ Row 10: 3ch, *1CL in next st, miss 1 st; rep from * to last st, 1htr

Change to yarn A

☐ Rows 11-12: 2ch, 1htr in each st to end

☐ Row 13: 2ch, *1htr in each of next 7 sts, htr2tog; rep from * to end. 80 sts

Change to yarn B

☐ Row 14: 3ch, miss first st, *1CL in next st, miss 1 st; rep from * to last st, 1htr

Change to yarn A

☐ Row 15: 1ch, 1dc in each st to end

☐ Row 16: 2ch, *1htr in each of next 6 sts, htr2tog; rep from * to end. 70 sts

☐ Row 17: 2ch, *1htr in each st to end

☐ Row 18: 2ch, *1htr in each of next 5 sts, htr2tog; rep from * to end. 60 sts

☐ Row 19: 2ch, *1htr in each st to end

☐ Row 20: 2ch, *1htr in each of next 4 sts, htr2tog; rep from * to end. 50 sts

☐ Row 21: rep Row 19

IN STITCHES

Cluster (CL): yoh, insert hook in st, yoh, pull yarn through, yoh, insert hook in same st, yoh, pull yarn through, yoh, insert hook in same st, yoh, pull yarn through, yoh (7 loops on hook), pull yarn through all 7 loops on hook, yoh, 1ch

Half treble 2 stitches together (htr2tog): *yoh, insert hook in next st, yoh, pull yarn through (3 loops on hook). Without finishing st, rep from * in next st (5 loops on hook), yoh, pull yarn through all 5 loops on hook

☐ Row 22: 2ch, htr2tog, *1htr in each of next 3 sts, htr2tog; rep from * to end. 40 sts

☐ Row 23: 2ch, *1htr in each of next 2 sts, htr2tog; rep from * to end. 30 sts

☐ Row 24: 2ch, *htr2tog, 1htr in next st; rep from * to end

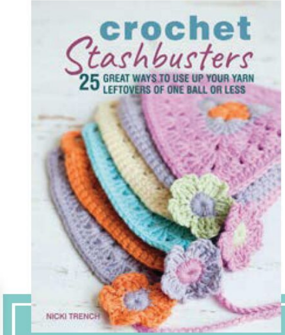
TO MAKE UP

Sew in ends. Make a running stitch around last row. Pull yarn tight and gather top together, then sew in securely. Oversew seam together

TOP TIP! MAKE SURE THE POM-POM IS SECURE, BY WORKING YARN THROUGH THE HAT SEVERAL TIMES

POM-POM

Using A and B together, wrap the yarn around two or three fingers approx 80 times. Gently slide the yarn off your fingers and tie a knot in the centre very securely. The pom-pom will now have loops on either side of the knot. Cut all the loops; trim and fluff the pom-pom into shape and sew onto top of hat


crochet
Stashbusters
25 GREAT WAYS TO USE UP YOUR YARN LEFTOVERS OF ONE BALL OR LESS
NICKI TRENCH

Extracted from *Crochet Stashbusters* by Nicki Trench, £9.99, CICO Books. Inside you'll find 25 makes – from coasters, cushions and cosies to blankets, bunting and bootees – that can either be made with one ball of yarn or that use up small amounts of different colours. Photography © CICO Books

STASH BUSTER

WHY NOT TRY...

You could use a rainbow of hues for this hat if your tot would prefer a more colourful version, or crochet it in ombré yarn rather than alternating yarns

Weekend Make

DESIGNER **PAINTBOX YARNS**

BOBBLY BASKETS

MAKE ME ON DAYS 50-51

You can never have enough storage – that's why we love these handy baskets

Intermediate

KIT LIST

★ 800g balls of Paintbox Yarns Recycled T-Shirt cotton/polyester blend yarn, LoveCrafts.com: Medium basket 2 × Light Brown (A); Large basket 3 × Black (B) and 1 × White (C)
★ 12mm crochet hook
★ Yarn needle
★ Scissors ★ Tape measure

Medium basket: 35cm wide x 28cm tall
Large basket: 50cm wide x 35cm tall

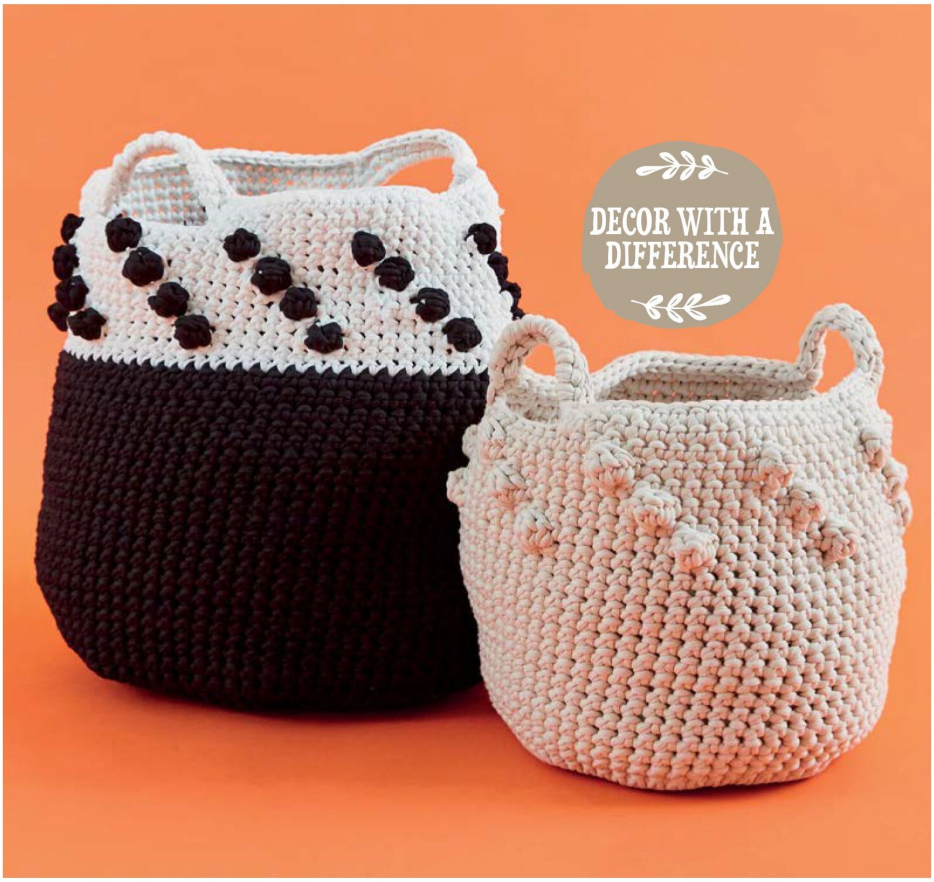
TENSION SQUARE

★ 7 sts x 12 rounds
★ 10cm x 10cm
★ Double crochet
★ 12mm hook

We say
"This soft and super chunky recycled ribbon yarn will give a lovely texture to your projects"

BEFORE YOU START

THESE PRACTICAL BASKETS ARE HANDY FOR VARIOUS USES ALL AROUND THE HOUSE AND ARE WASHABLE TOO



DECOR WITH A DIFFERENCE

NOTE: The base is worked in a spiral until the last round. The body is also worked in a spiral
For the large basket, change to B for all bobble stitches.
The side facing you as you work will be the wrong side

BASE

Both sizes:
Make an adjustable ring using 12mm hook and A[B]
☐ Rnd 1: (WS) Work 8dc into ring, do not join, pm in last st and move up each round. 8 dc
☐ Rnd 2: 2dc in each st to end. 16 dc.
☐ Rnd 3: *2dc in next st, 1dc; rep from * to end. 24 dc
☐ Rnd 4: *2dc in next st, 2dc; rep from * to end. 32 dc
☐ Rnd 5: *2dc in next st, 3dc; rep from * to end. 40 dc
☐ Rnd 6: *2dc in next st, 4dc; rep from * to end. 48 dc
☐ Rnd 7: *2dc in next st, 5dc; rep from * to end. 56 dc
☐ Rnd 8: *2dc in next st, 6dc; rep from * to end. 64 dc
Large size only:
☐ Rnd 9: *2dc in next st, 7dc; rep from * to end. -[72] dc
☐ Rnd 10: *2dc in next st, 8dc; rep from * to end. -[80] dc

BASE OF SIDES

Both sizes:
Sl st into first st of previous round, turn
☐ Rnd 1: (RS) 1ch (does not count as st), sl st in BLO of each st around, sl st into first sl st, turn. 64 [80] sl st
☐ Rnd 2: (WS) 1ch, 1dc over the top of each sl st into both loops of last round of base, sl st to top of first st, do NOT turn
You will now be working the sides of the basket from the inside in a continual spiral. If it is easier, work the basket inside out, and turn it the right way around on completion

SIDES

Both sizes:

☐ Rnd 1: (WS) 1ch, 1dc in each st to end, do not join

☐ Rnd 2: pm in first st, continuing to work in a spiral and moving marker up as you work, 1dc in each st to end

☐ Rnds 3-10[20]: As round 2

Medium size only:

Continue to work in A throughout

Large size only:

Change to C and change back to B to work each bbl st

Both sizes:

☐ Rnds 11[21]-14[22]: As round 2

☐ Rnd 15[23]: *1bbl in next st, 7dc; rep from * to end

☐ Rnd 16[24]: 1dc in each st to end

☐ Rnd 17[25]: *2dc, 1 bbl in next st, 5dc; rep from * to end

☐ Rnd 18[26]: 1dc in each st to end

☐ Rnd 19[27]: *4dc, 1 bbl in next st, 3dc; rep from * to end

☐ Rnd 20[28]: 1dc in each st to end

Large size only:

☐ Rnd 29: *6dc, 1 bbl in next st, 1dc; rep from * to end

☐ Rnd 30: 1dc in each st to end

Both sizes:

☐ Rnd 21[31]: 1dc in each st to end

☐ Rnd 22[32]: *10[12] ch, miss 8[10] sts, 24[30] dc; rep from * twice more, sl st to ch sp. 68[84] sts

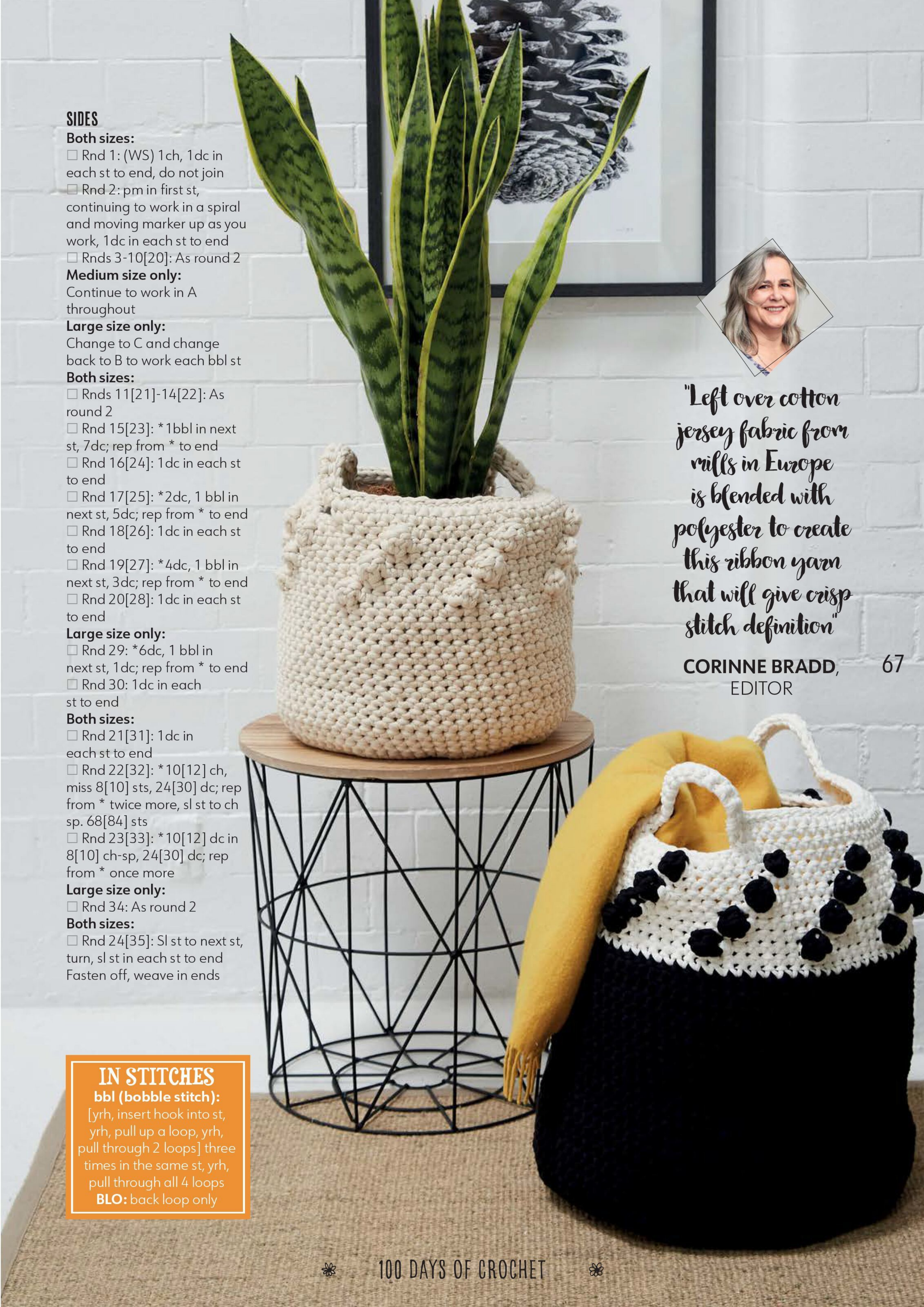
☐ Rnd 23[33]: *10[12] dc in 8[10] ch-sp, 24[30] dc; rep from * once more

Large size only:

☐ Rnd 34: As round 2

Both sizes:

☐ Rnd 24[35]: Sl st to next st, turn, sl st in each st to end
Fasten off, weave in ends



> "Left over cotton jersey fabric from mills in Europe is blended with polyester to create this ribbon yarn that will give crisp stitch definition"

CORINNE BRADD, EDITOR

IN STITCHES

bbl (bobble stitch): [yrh, insert hook into st, yrh, pull up a loop, yrh, pull through 2 loops] three times in the same st, yrh, pull through all 4 loops

BLO: back loop only

Weekend Make

DESIGNER **RICO DESIGN**

STRIPED TOTE BAG

Stitch a handy carry-all with a lovely textured stripe pattern

MAKE ME ON DAYS 57-58

Beginner

KIT LIST

★ Rico Creative Cotton aran: (A) 19 Midnight Blue, three 50g balls, (B) 26 Saffron, (C) 64 Candy Pink, (D) 16 Violet, (E) 90 Black, (F) 03 Salmon, (G) 60 Nature, (H) 70 Mustard, (J) 09 Lilac, one 50g ball of each ★ Crochet hook, 4mm ★ Tapestry needle ★ Scissors ★ Tape measure

Bag: 34cm x 40cm

TENSION SQUARE

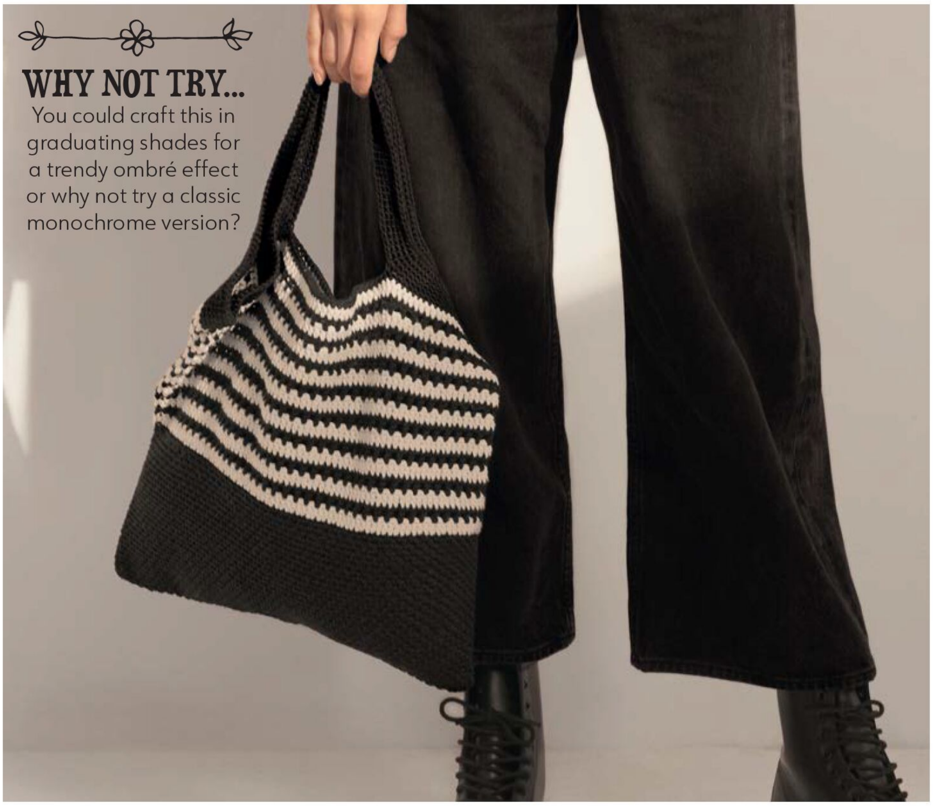
★ 21 sts x 22 rows
★ 10cm x 10cm
★ Over pattern
★ 4mm hook

We say

"You could also add a drawstring, buttons, zippers or flaps, to secure the bag closed"

BEFORE YOU START

WHEN CHANGING COLOUR, WORK THE LAST 2 LOOPS OF THE LAST STITCH IN THE NEW COLOUR TO ENSURE A SMOOTH COLOUR TRANSITION



WHY NOT TRY...

You could craft this in graduating shades for a trendy ombré effect or why not try a classic monochrome version?

Using 4mm hook and yarn A, make 79ch

☐ Foundation rnd: 1dc into 2nd ch from hook, 1ch, skip 1 ch, *1dc into next ch, 1ch, skip 1ch, rep from * to end, (1dc into end ch, 1ch, skip 1ch) 3 times, *1dc into opposite side of next ch, 1ch, skip 1ch, rep from * to last ch, (1dc into end ch, 1ch, skip 1ch) twice, 1dc into skipped ch at start of rnd. 166 sts

☐ Rnd 1: 1ch, *1dc into next ch sp, 1ch, rep from * to end

☐ Rnd 2: *1dc into next ch sp, 1ch, rep from * to last ch sp, 1dc into last ch sp

Last 2 rnds set patt. Cont in patt until work measures 15cm, from foundation ch

Join in yarn B and working from stripe sequence proceed as follows:

☐**Rnd 1: 2ch (counts as 1htr), *1htr into next st, rep from * to end, join with a sl st to start of rnd

☐ Rnd 2: 4ch (counts as 1tr, 1ch), *1tr into next st, 1ch, skip 1 st, rep from to end, join with sl st to 3rd of 4ch at start of rnd

Last 2 rnds set patt. Keeping continuity of patt and stripe sequence correct (throughout), cont until all rnds of stripe sequence have been worked**

Break off yarn C and join in yarn F

☐***Next rnd: 1ch (counts as 1dc), *1dc into next st, rep from * to end, join with sl st to start of rnd

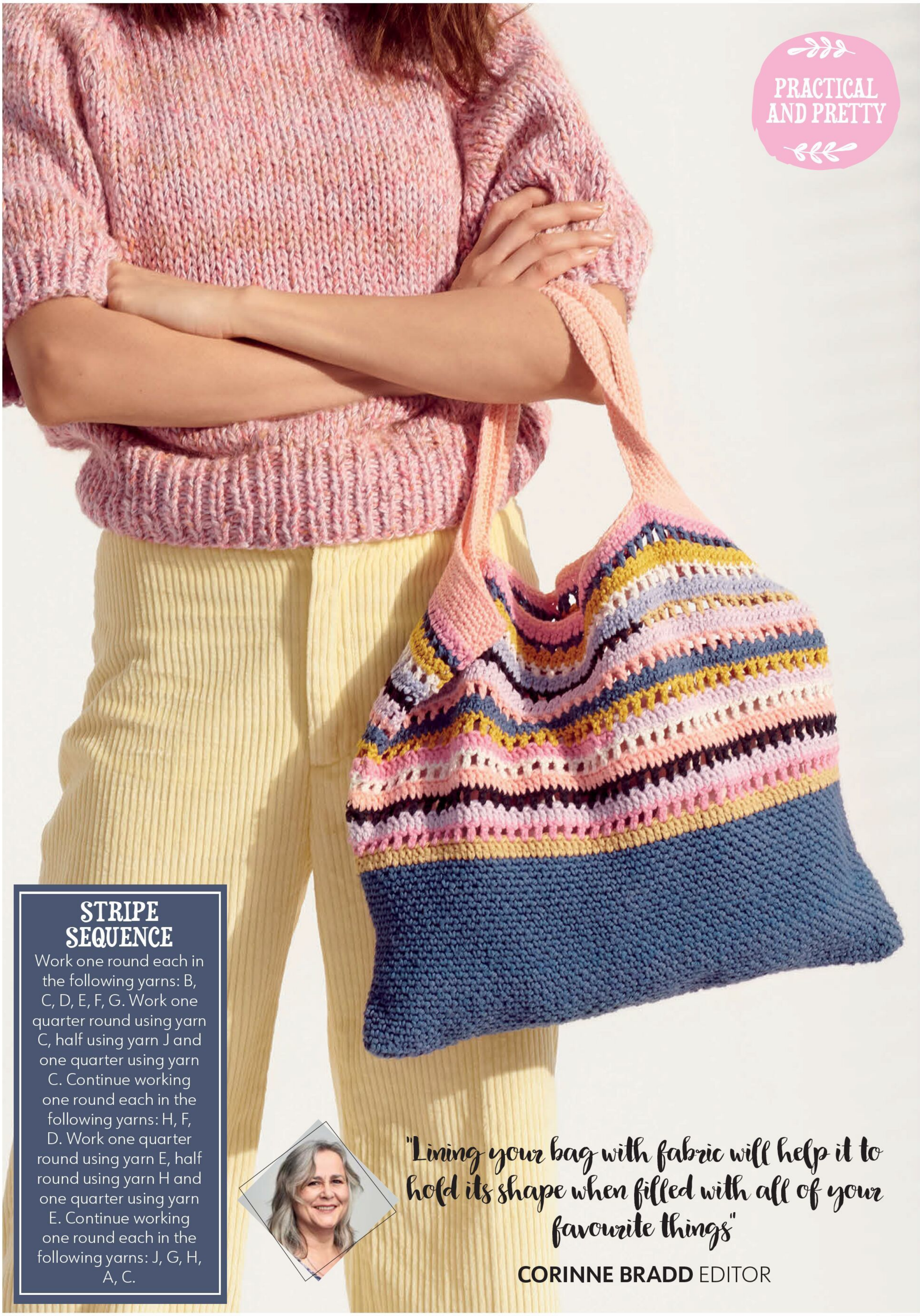
☐ Next rnd: 1ch (counts as 1dc), 1dc into each of next 22dc, 60ch, skip next 37dc, 1dc into each of next 46dc, 60ch, skip next 37dc, 1dc into each of next 23dc, join with sl st to start of rnd. 212 sts

☐ Next rnd: 1ch (counts as 1dc), *1dc into next st, rep from * to end, join with sl st to start of rnd

Rep last rnd 4 times more

Fasten off

Block out the bag to the measurements given and place under damp cloths and leave until dry. See ball band for care instructions



PRACTICAL AND PRETTY

STRIPE SEQUENCE

Work one round each in the following yarns: B, C, D, E, F, G. Work one quarter round using yarn C, half using yarn J and one quarter using yarn C. Continue working one round each in the following yarns: H, F, D. Work one quarter round using yarn E, half round using yarn H and one quarter using yarn E. Continue working one round each in the following yarns: J, G, H, A, C.

"Lining your bag with fabric will help it to hold its shape when filled with all of your favourite things"

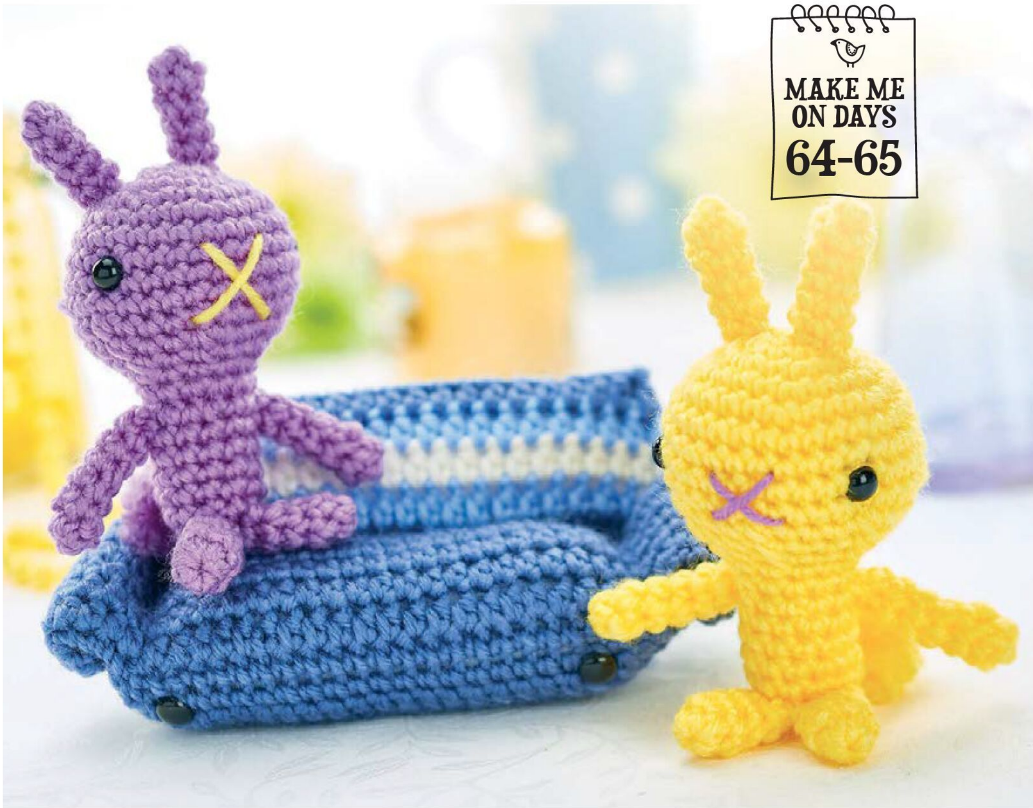
CORINNE BRADD EDITOR

Weekend Make

DESIGNER **IRENE STRANGE**

SWEET PETITE AMIGURUMI

Make a whole mini playset with Lily and Tilly Bunny, Freddie Frog and Meghann Cat



MAKE ME ON DAYS 64-65

Beginner

KIT LIST

★ DK yarn: (A) yellow, (B) purple, (C) dark blue, (D) mid blue, (E) white, (F) lime green, (G) turquoise, (H) orange, (I) bright pink, (J) fuchsia, (K) light pink ★ Crochet hooks: 3.75mm, 3mm, 4mm ★ Safety eyes: 7mm, ten; 5mm, two ★ Cardboard, thick ★ Stuffing ★ Wire ★ Yarn needle ★ Scissors ★ Tape measure

We say

"Less is often more in amigurumi faces – cute eyes, a hint of a nose and two dabs of blusher are all you need to add character to your creation"

BEFORE YOU START

THESE ARE GOOD FOR USING UP ODDMENTS BUT BE WARY OF MIXING YARNS FROM DIFFERENT FIBRES ON ONE PIECE – WOOL AND COTTON BEHAVE DIFFERENTLY IN THE WASH

LILY & TILLY BUNNY

HEAD & BODY (MAKE 2)

Using 3.75mm hook and yarn A (yarn B) make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

☐ Rnd 1: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts

☐ Rnd 2: (2dc in next st, 1dc) to end. 18 sts

☐ Rnd 3: (2dc in next st, 2dc) to end. 24 sts

☐ Rnd 4: (2dc in next st, 3dc) to end. 30 sts

☐ Rnds 5-8: 1dc in each st to end

☐ Rnd 9: (dc2tog, 3dc) to end. 24 sts

☐ Rnd 10: (dc2tog, 2dc) to end. 18 sts

☐ Rnd 11: (dc2tog, 1dc) to end. 12 sts

☐ Rnds 12-18: 1dc in each st to end

Insert safety eyes and stuff

☐ Rnd 19: (dc2tog) to end. Six sts

Fasten off

EAR (MAKE 4, 2 IN EACH COLOUR)

Using 3.75mm hook and yarn A (yarn B) make a magic ring, work 5dc into ring. Five sts

☐ Rnds 1-4: 1dc in each st to end

Fasten off

ARM (MAKE 4, 2 IN EACH COLOUR)

Using 3.75mm hook and yarn A (yarn B) make a magic ring, work 5dc into ring. Five sts

☐ Rnds 1-5: 1dc in each st to end

Fasten off

LEG (MAKE 4, 2 IN EACH COLOUR)

Using 3.75mm hook and yarn A (yarn B) make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring.

Six sts

☐ Rnds 1-3: 1dc in each st to end

Fasten off

TO MAKE UP

Sew end of Head and Body closed. Flatten Ears and sew to top of Head. Sew Arms to side of Body. Stuff Legs and sew to front of Body. Make a pom-pom for tail. Using contrasting yarn embroider a criss-cross nose, spanning four rnds

STASH BUSTER

SOFA

Using 3.75mm hook and yarn C make 37ch
☐ Rnd 1: starting second ch from hook, working around both sides of ch work 1dc in each ch to end, join with a sl st to first st. 72 sts
☐ Rnds 2-7: 2ch (does not count as a st), 1htr in each st to end, join with a sl st to first st
☐ Rnd 8: one sl st in next ten sts, 1ch, 20dc, miss 16 sts, 20dc, join with a sl st to first st. 40 sts
Work in foll one-rnd stripe sequence: yarn C, D, E, D, C
☐ Rnds 9-13: 2ch (does not count as a st), 1htr in each st to end, join with a sl st to first st
Fasten off

TO MAKE UP

Sew in ends. Sew up top of Sofa. Add cardboard. Stuff above cardboard piece at back of sofa. Sew seam tog between back and base along Rnd 8 using running st. Insert a safety eye in each corner of Sofa base to create legs. Stuff both sides of base board. Using yarn C sew up ends of armrests, roll up end and sew back of armrest to back of sofa on both sides

FREDDIE FROG

HEAD & BODY

Using 3mm hook and yarn F make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts
☐ Rnd 1: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts
☐ Rnd 2: (2dc in next st, 1dc) to end. 18 sts
☐ Rnd 3: (2dc in next st, 2dc) to end. 24 sts
☐ Rnd 4: (2dc in next st, 3dc) to end. 30 sts
☐ Rnd 5: (2dc in next st, 4dc) to end. 36 sts
☐ Rnds 6-8: 1dc in each st to end
☐ Rnd 9: (dc2tog, 4dc) to end. 30 sts
☐ Rnd 10: (dc2tog, 3dc) to end. 24 sts
☐ Rnd 11: (dc2tog, 2dc) to end. 18 sts
☐ Rnd 12: (dc2tog, 1dc) to end. 12 sts
☐ Rnds 13-19: 1dc in each st to end Stuff
☐ Rnd 20: (dc2tog) to end. Six sts
Fasten off

EYE (MAKE 2)

Using 3mm hook and yarn F make a magic ring, work 8dc into ring. Eight sts
☐ Rnds 1-2: 1dc in each st to end
Fasten off

LEG (MAKE 2)

Using 3mm hook and yarn F make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts
☐ Rnds 1-2: 1dc in each st to end
☐ Rnd 3: 2dc in each of next two sts, 1dc in each st to end. Eight sts
☐ Rnd 4: (dc2tog) twice, 1dc in each st to end. Six sts
☐ Rnd 5: 1dc in each st to end

STRENGTHEN THE FURNITURE

★ For the sofa, cut card 4.5cm x 11cm for the back and 5cm x 11.5cm for the base, and insert each through the armrest holes.
★ For the armchair, cut a 4.5cm x 15cm piece to fit both arms and the base, if need be trimming the arms to shape, and another 6cm x 9.5cm to fit the seat back and base. Place the first inside the lower section and the second along the seat and back so both overlap below.
★ For the bed, cut card to fit inside both the footboard and headboard. Sew up the end, stuffing one side of the headboard. Cut two pieces slightly narrower than the Mattress, insert into each piece, and sew the two together.

ARM (MAKE 2)

Using 3mm hook and yarn F make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

☐ Rnds 1-6: 1dc in each st to end

Fasten off

FLIPPER (MAKE 4)

Using 3mm hook and yarn F make 4ch

☐ Row 1: starting second ch from hook (1dc, 1tr, 1dc) in next st, (1htr, 1tr, 1htr) in next st, (1dc, 1tr, 1dc) in next st. Nine sts

Fasten off

TO MAKE UP

Sew end of Head and Body closed. Insert safety eye in each Eye and sew to top of Head. Insert wire into legs if desired and sew to Body. Lightly stuff Arms and sew to Body. Sew a Flipper to end of each Arm and Leg. Using yarn A embroider a smile across face

RUG

Using 3mm hook and yarn G make a magic ring, work 7dc into ring, join with a sl st to first st. Seven sts

☐ Rnd 1: 2ch (does not count as a st), 2htr in each st to end. 14 sts

Change to yarn F

☐ Rnd 2: 3ch (does not count as a st), 2tr in each st to end. 28 sts

Change to yarn H

☐ Rnd 3: 3ch (does not count as a st), (2tr in next st, 1tr) to end. 42 sts

Change to yarn I

☐ Rnd 4: 3ch (does not count as a st), (2tr in next st, 2tr) to end. 56 sts

Fasten off

CHAIR

Using 3mm hook and yarn A make 31ch

☐ Rnd 1: starting second ch from hook work 1dc in each of next 29ch, 2dc in next ch, work along opposite side of ch as folls: 1dc in each of next 29ch. 60 sts

☐ Rnds 2-11: 1dc in each st to end

☐ Rnd 12: 22dc, miss 16 sts, 14dc, miss eight sts. 36 sts

☐ Rnd 13: miss eight sts, cont work in rnd 1dc in each st to end

☐ Rnds 14-20: 1dc in each st to end

Fasten off

CUSHION

Using 3mm hook and yarn G make 13ch

☐ Rnd 1: starting second ch from hook work 1dc in each of next 11ch, 2dc in next ch, work along opposite side of ch as folls: 1dc in each of next 11 ch. 24 sts

☐ Rnds 2-7: 1dc in each st to end

Fasten off, leaving a long tail

LEG (MAKE 4)

Using 3mm hook and yarn G make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

☐ Rnd 1: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts

Fasten off

TO MAKE UP

Stuff Cushion and sew end closed, leaving a long tail. Insert cardboard into Chair. Stuff Armchair seat and back. Sew up top and side of Armchair, then fold sides to back and sew in place. Secure corners of Cushion to seat. Sew a Leg to each corner

MEGHANN CAT

HEAD & BODY

Using 4mm hook and yarn G make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

☐ Rnd 1: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts

☐ Rnd 2: (2dc in next st, 1dc) to end. 18 sts

☐ Rnd 3: (2dc in next st, 2dc) to end. 24 sts

☐ Rnd 4: (2dc in next st, 3dc) to end. 30 sts

☐ Rnd 5: 1dc in each st to end

Change to yarn D

☐ Rnds 6-7: 1dc in each st to end

Change to yarn G

☐ Rnd 8: rep Rnd 5

☐ Rnd 9: (dc2tog, 3dc) to end. 24 sts

☐ Rnd 10: (dc2tog, 2dc) to end. 18 sts

☐ Rnd 11: (dc2tog, 1dc) to end. 12 sts

Insert safety eyes in between yarn D rnds, approx eight sts apart

Change to yarn D

☐ Rnds 12-13: 1dc in each st to end

Change to yarn G

☐ Rnds 14-16: 1dc in each st to end

Change to yarn D

☐ Rnds 17-18: 1dc in each st to end

Stuff, change to yarn G

☐ Rnd 19: (dc2tog) to end. Six sts

☐ Rnd 20: (dc2tog) twice. Four sts

Fasten off

ARM (MAKE 2)

Using 4mm hook and yarn D make a magic ring, work 5dc into ring. 5 sts Rnds 1-5: 1dc in each st to end

Fasten off

LEG (MAKE 2)

Using 4mm hook and yarn D make a magic ring, work 6dc into ring. Six sts

☐ Rnds 1-3: 1dc in each st to end

Fasten off

TAIL

Using 4mm hook and yarn D make a magic ring, work 5dc into ring. Five sts

☐ Rnds 1-7: 1dc in each st to end

Fasten off

EAR (MAKE 2)

Using 4mm hook and yarn D make a magic ring, work foll into ring: 1dc, 1htr, 1tr, 1dtr, 1tr, 1htr, 1dc. Seven sts

Fasten off

MUZZLE (MAKE 2)

Using 4mm hook and yarn E make a magic ring, work 5dc into ring. Five sts
Fasten off

TO MAKE UP

Sew up end of Head. Sew Arms and Legs to Body. Sew Tail to back of Body. Tighten Ears and sew to Head. Sew Muzzle to Head. Using yarn J embroider a triangle nose above Muzzle and a mouth below

BED

FOOTBOARD

Using 4mm hook and yarn K make 17ch
☐ Rnd 1: starting second ch from hook 1dc in each of next 15 ch, 2dc in next ch, work along opposite side of ch as folls: 1dc in each of next 15 ch. 32 sts
☐ Rnds 2-11: 1dc in each st to end
Fasten off

HEADBOARD

Using 4mm hook and yarn K make 17ch
☐ Rnd 1: rep Rnd 1 of Footboard
☐ Rnds 2-16: 1dc in each st to end
Fasten off

MATTRESS (MAKE 2)

Using 4mm hook and yarn J (yarn E) make 17ch
☐ Row 1: starting second ch from hook, work 1dc in each st to end, turn. 16 sts
☐ Rows 2-26: 1ch, 1dc in each st to end, turn
Fasten off

PILLOW

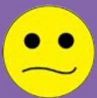
Using 4mm hook and yarn E make 8ch
☐ Rnd 1: starting second ch from hook, work 1dc in each of next 6ch, 2dc in next ch, work along opposite side of ch as folls: 1dc in each of next 6 ch. 14 sts
☐ Rnds 2-12: 1dc in each st to end
Fasten off

TO MAKE UP

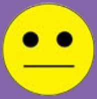
Add cardboard to Bed. Sew Mattress to Footboard and Headboard, 1.5cm up each piece. Stuff Pillow and sew end closed

LIVELY CHARACTERS

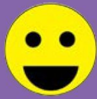
Something we're all familiar with is the emoticon, but these can be extremely useful when it comes to animating our crocheted friends; the simple line drawings convey all kinds of moods with minor adjustments



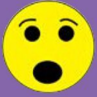
★ Worried: simply making the mouth into a wave helps to demonstrate unease, add a little blush to the cheeks for embarrassment



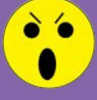
★ Indifferent: a flat line for a mouth conveys a lack of emotion and a don't care attitude



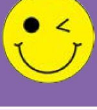
★ Cheerful: a large semi-circle mouth will make a character appear happier than with a regular upturned line



★ Surprised: adding raised eyebrows and a wide open mouth will immediately denote a shocked look, set the eyes a little further apart too



★ Angry: downturned eyebrows, close set eyes and a central oval mouth transforms a mild face into an angry one



★ Cheeky: give your character one winking eye and add the impression of cheeks to the mouth to make your characters look a little mischievous

Weekend Make

Intermediate

KIT LIST

★ Wendy Merino DK wool yarn, 2382 Fennel, 7 (8, 10, 11) 50g balls ★ Crochet hook, 5mm ★ Yarn needle ★ Tape measure ★ Scissors

Shawl: 32cm x 160cm

TENSION SQUARE

★ 17 sts x 12 rows
★ 10cm x 10cm
★ Linked treble stitch
★ 5mm hook

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"The linked treble stitches make the fabric more fluid than basic trebles"

BEFORE YOU START

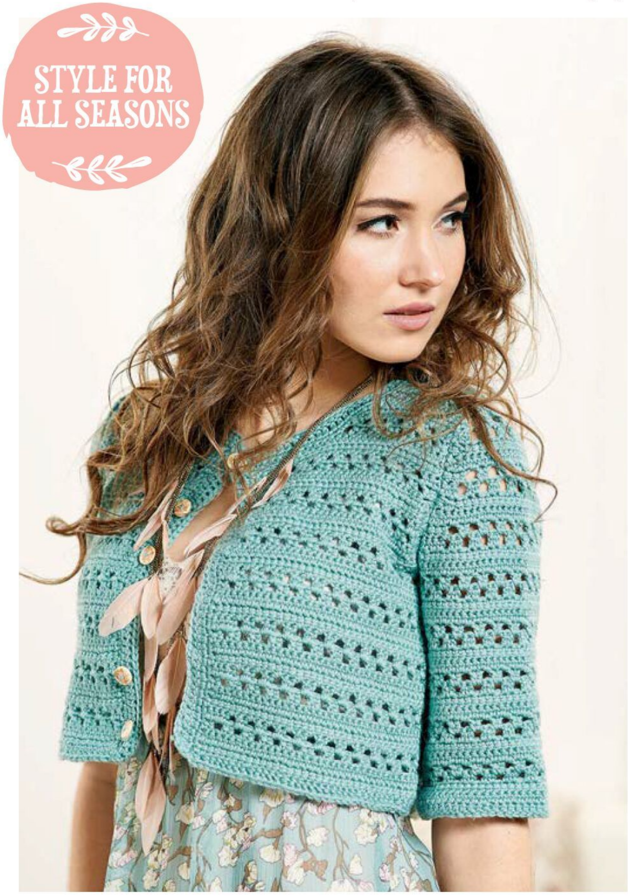
THE CROPPED LENGTH AND OPENWORK STITCH PATTERN MAKE THIS IDEAL FOR SUNNY DAYS, WHILE THE MERINO WOOL WILL KEEP YOU WARM

DESIGNER **ANNIKEN ALLIS**

LIGHT CARDI

MAKE ME ON DAYS 71-72

Take sunny and breezy weather in your stride with this openwork cropped cover-up



STYLE FOR ALL SEASONS

BACK

Using 5mm hook make 76 (82, 88, 97) ch

☐ Foundation row (WS): beg in fourth ch from hook, l-tr in each ch to end. 74 (80, 86, 95) sts

☐ Row 1: 3ch (counts as 1tr), 1l-tr in each st to end

☐ Row 2: As Row 1

NOTE: see In Stitches panel for how to work first l-tr after 3ch

☐ Row 3: 3ch (counts as 1tr), 1l-tr, [1ch, miss 1 st, 1tr, 1l-tr] to end

☐ Row 4: 3ch (counts as 1tr), 1l-tr, * [1tr, 1l-tr] in ch sp, 1ch, rep from * to last ch sp, 1tr in ch sp, 2l-tr

Last four rows set patt

☐ Work two more rows in patt

NOTE: see In Stitches panel for notes on shaping

☐ Inc one st at each end of next and every foll fourth row 1 (4, 4, 4) times. 78 (90, 96, 105) sts

☐ Cont without shaping until Back meas 19 (19.5, 20.5, 21) cm ending after a RS row

Shape armhole:

☐ Next row (WS): sl st across first 4 (6, 7, 8) sts, patt to last 4 (6, 7, 8) sts, turn. 70 (78, 82, 89) sts

☐ Dec one st at beg of each row 5 (6, 6, 7) times. 60 (66, 70, 75) sts

☐ Cont without shaping until Back meas 35.5 (37.5, 39.5, 41) cm ending with a WS row

Shape right shoulder:

☐ Next row (RS): patt 15 (18, 19, 21), turn

☐ Next row: patt 10 (12, 12, 14), turn

☐ Next row: patt to end

☐ Next row: patt 5 (6, 6, 7), turn

☐ Next row: patt to end

☐ Fasten off

Shape left shoulder:

☐ With RS facing rejoin yarn 15 (18, 19, 21) sts from end, patt 10 (12, 12, 14), turn

☐ Next row: patt to end

☐ Next row: patt 5 (6, 6, 7), turn

☐ Next row: patt to end

☐ Fasten off

LEFT FRONT

Using 5mm hook make 38 (41, 44, 50) ch

☐ Foundation row (WS): beg in fourth ch from hook, l-tr in each ch to end, turn. 36 (39, 42, 48) sts

☐ Work six rows in patt as for Back

☐ Inc one st at beg of next and every foll fourth row 1 (4, 4, 4) times. 38 (44, 47, 53) sts

☐ Cont without shaping until Left Front matches Back to armhole shaping ending after a RS row

Shape armhole:

☐ Next row (WS): patt to last 4 (6, 7, 8) sts, turn. 34 (38, 40, 45) sts

☐ Dec one st at armhole edge on every row 5 (6, 6, 7) times. 29 (32, 34, 38) sts

☐ Cont without shaping until Left Front meas 27 (28.5, 30, 31) cm ending after a WS row

Shape left neck:

☐ Next row (RS): patt to last 10 sts, turn. 19 (22, 24, 28) sts

☐ Dec one st at neck edge on next 4 (4, 5, 7) rows. 15 (18, 19, 21) sts

☐ Cont without shaping until Left Front matches Back to shoulder shaping, ending after a RS row

Shape left shoulder:
☐ Next row (WS): patt 10 (12, 12, 14), turn
☐ Next row: patt to end
☐ Next row: patt 5 (6, 6, 7), turn
☐ Next row: patt to end
☐ Fasten off

RIGHT FRONT

Using 5mm hook make 38 (41, 44, 50) ch
☐ Foundation row (WS): beg in fourth ch from hook l-tr in each ch to end, turn. (39, 42, 48) sts
☐ Work six rows in patt as for Back
☐ Inc one st at end of next and every foll fourth row 1 (4, 4, 4) times. 38 (44, 47, 53) sts
☐ Cont without shaping until Right Front matches Back to armhole shaping ending after a WS row

Shape right armhole:
☐ Next row: Sl st across first 4 (6, 7, 8) sts, patt to end, turn. 34 (38, 40, 45) sts
☐ Dec one st at armhole edge on every row 5 (6, 6, 7) times. 29 (32, 34, 38) sts
☐ Work without shaping until Right front meas 27 (28.5, 30, 31) cm ending after a WS row

Shape right neck:
☐ Next row (RS): Sl st across first 10 sts, patt to end, turn. 19 (22, 24, 28) sts
☐ Dec one st at neck edge on next 4 (4, 5, 7) rows. 15 (18, 19, 21) sts
☐ Work without shaping until right neck matches Back to shoulder shaping, ending after a RS row

Shape right shoulder:
☐ Next row (RS): Sl st across first 9 (10, 12, 14) sts, patt to end, turn. 10 (12, 12, 14) sts
☐ Next row: patt to end
☐ Next row: Sl st across first 5 (6, 6, 7) sts, patt to end, turn. 5 (6, 6, 7) sts
☐ Next row: patt to end
☐ Fasten off

SLEEVES

Using 5mm hook make 57 (63, 69, 72) ch
☐ Foundation row (WS): beg in third ch from hook, l-tr in each ch to end. 55 (61, 67, 70) sts
☐ Work in patt as for Back until Sleeve meas 16.5 (17.5, 18, 19) cm ending after a RS row

Shape sleeve cap:
☐ Next row (WS): sl st across first 4 (6, 7, 8) sts, patt to last 4 (6, 7, 8) sts, turn. 47 (49, 53,54) sts
☐ Dec one st at beg of next and every foll row 13 (13, 15, 15) times. 19 (21, 21, 22) sts
☐ Fasten off

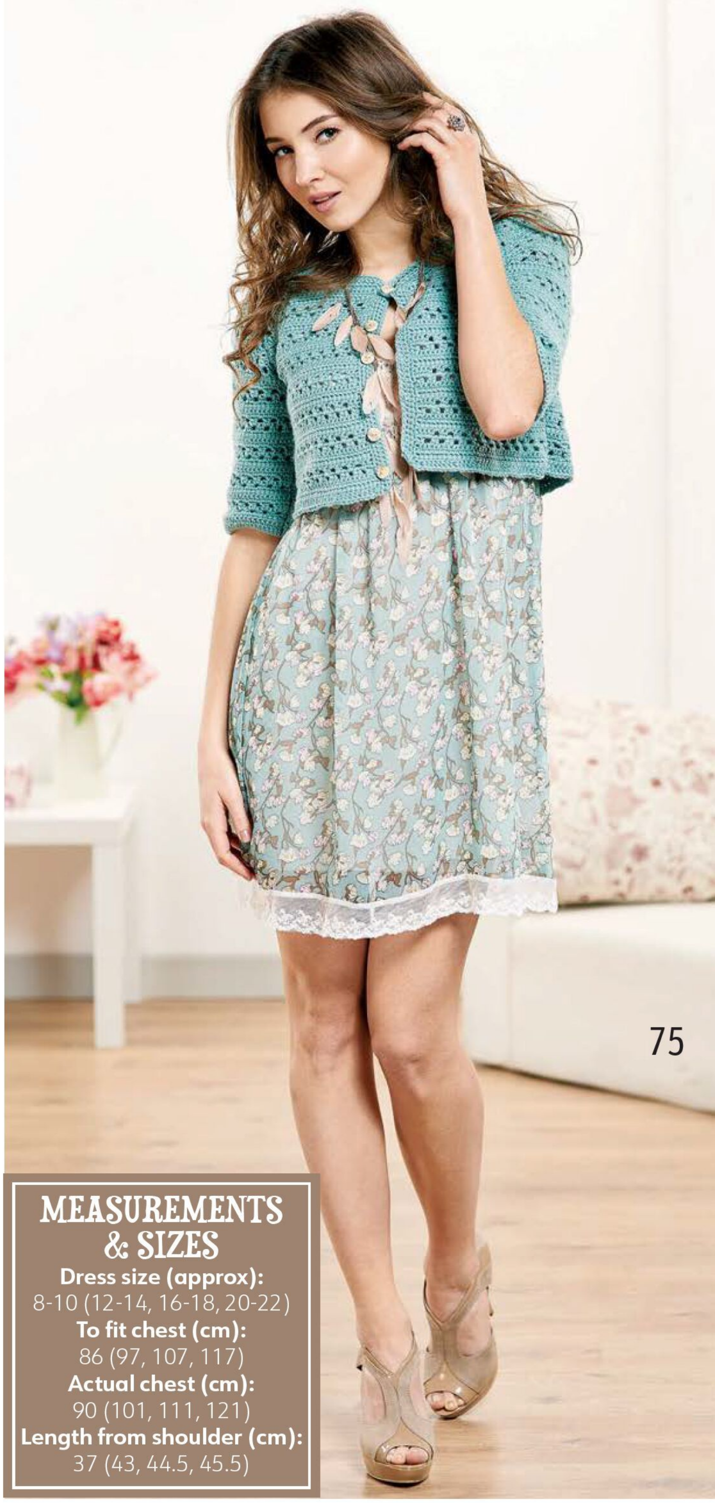
TO MAKE UP

Steam press garment pieces. Join shoulder seams. Set in Sleeve cap then sew underarm and side seams

BUTTON & NECKBAND

☐ Using 5mm hook, with RS facing and starting at lower edge of Right Front, work 48 (50, 52, 54) dc up to neck shaping, 10dc along neck edge, 16 (18, 20, 22) dc to right shoulder, 22 (22, 23, 24) dc along back neck, 16 (18, 20, 22) dc down to neck edge, 10 dc to start of left neck shaping and 48 (50, 52, 54) dc to bottom of Left Front. 170 (178, 187, 196) sts
☐ Row 2: 3ch (counts as 1tr), 1tr in each st to end
☐ Row 3: 1ch (counts as 1dc), 2 (4, 6, 8) dc in next two sts, [2ch, miss one st, 6dc in next six sts] six times, 3dc, 1dc in each st to end
☐ Fasten off

Weave in all loose ends and sew on buttons using photo as a guide



MEASUREMENTS & SIZES

Dress size (approx):
8-10 (12-14, 16-18, 20-22)
To fit chest (cm):
86 (97, 107, 117)
Actual chest (cm):
90 (101, 111, 121)
Length from shoulder (cm):
37 (43, 44.5, 45.5)

IN STITCHES

l-tr (linked treble): insert hook in horizontal bar on previous tr, yoh, pull through bar, insert hook in next st, yoh, pull through st [three loops on hook], [yoh, pull through two loops on hook] twice

First l-tr after 3ch: insert hook in second ch from hook, yoh, pull through ch, insert hook in next st, yoh, pull through st [three loops on hook], [yoh, pull through two loops on hook] twice

Increasing and decreasing: To increase at the beginning of a row, make three chains to turn, then work extra linked treble in the first stitch. To increase at the end of the row, work two linked trebles in the top of the turning chain from the previous row. To decrease a linked treble, you need to work the l-tr instructions until two loops remain on the hook, work another l-tr into the next stitch, but instead of just pulling the yarn through two loops on the final step of the stitch, pull it through all the loops on the hook.

DESIGNER **TINA BARRETT**

BEADED SHRUG

MAKE ME ON DAYS 78-79

Crochet a glam lacy cover-up to pop in your bag for the changeable British weather

Beginner

KIT LIST

★ Yarn Stories Fine Merino 4ply wool yarn, 2506 Dove, five (six, seven) 50g balls ★ Crochet hook, 3.5mm ★ Debbie Abrahams beads, Frosted Purple, size 6 ★ Tapestry needle ★ Scissors ★ Tape measure

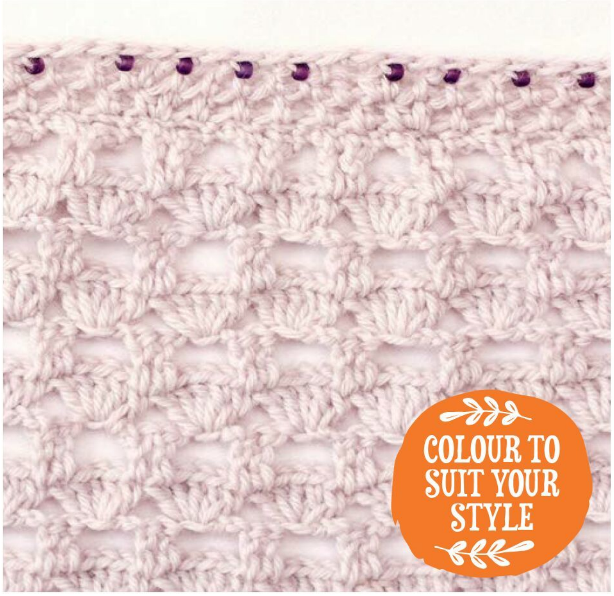
TENSION SQUARE

★ 27 sts x 10 rows
★ 10cm x 10cm
★ Over patt
★ 3.5mm hook

We say "Beads bring a touch of sparkle to this shrug, making it ideal for day or night"

BEFORE YOU START

THIS TWO-ROW PATTERN IS EASY TO MASTER AND HAS BARELY ANY SHAPING, AS IT'S CROCHETED FROM SIDE TO SIDE. THE SHELL EFFECT IS CREATED USING TREBLE CROCHET STITCHES



SHRUG

Using 3.5mm hook, make 174 (194, 214) ch

☐ Foundation row: miss 3ch (counts as 1tr), 1tr in next ch, * 3ch, miss three ch, 1tr in each of next two ch, rep from * to end, turn

☐ Row 1: 3ch (counts as 1tr), miss first st, * 5tr in second st of next 3- ch arch, rep from * ending with 1tr in top of 3ch from prev row, turn

☐ Row 2 (RS): 3ch (counts as 1tr), miss first tr, * 1tr in first of 5-tr group, 3ch, miss three tr, 1tr in last of 5-tr group, rep from * ending with 1tr in top of 3ch from prev row, turn

Rows 1-2 set Box shell patt

☐ Rep Rows 1-2 until work meas 9 (11, 13) cm ending after a Row 2, do not turn

Increase for sleeves:

☐ Make 22 (27, 32) ch, turn

☐ Next row: work Row 1 of patt to end, make 22 (27, 32) ch, turn

☐ Work Row 1 across 22 (27, 32) ch just made, join to end of last row with a sl st

Fasten off

☐ With same side facing, rejoin yarn to beg of row with a sl st, work Row 2 of patt to end

☐ Cont in patt until work meas 48 (55, 58) cm

Fasten off

Decrease for underarms:

☐ Miss 22 (27, 32) sts and rejoin yarn with a sl st, 3ch (counts as 1tr), patt to last 22 (27, 32) sts, turn

☐ Cont in patt on rem sts for a further 10 (12, 13) cm

Fasten off

ARMBAND

NOTE: do not turn work

Weave in yarn tails and block into shape. Fold in half lengthwise and join underarm sleeve seams. Thread twice as many beads as rows worked for the sleeves on to yarn (see panel opposite) Using a 3.5mm hook and with RS facing, rejoin yarn with a sl st to row-end of sleeve

☐ Foundation row: 1ch, (1dc in row end, 1dc in top of row) to end, sl st in ch

☐ Rnd 1: 1ch, 1dc in each st to end, sl st in ch

☐ Rnd 2: 1ch, (1dc, 1 beaded dc) to end, sl st in ch

☐ Rnd 3: 1ch, 1dc in each st to end, sl st in ch

☐ Rnd 4: as Rnd 2

Fasten off

Weave in ends

☐ Rep for second Armband

FRONT BAND

NOTE: do not turn work

Thread rem beads on to yarn Using a 3.5mm hook, join yarn to RS of front at underarm * 1dc in each tr, 1dc in second st of 3-ch arch, rep from * to end around front opening, join with a sl st in first dc

☐ Rnd 1: 2ch, * 2htr in next st, 1htr in next five sts, rep from * to end, sl st in top of 2ch

☐ Rnd 2: 2ch, * 2htr in next st, 1htr in next six sts, rep from * to end, sl st in top of 2ch

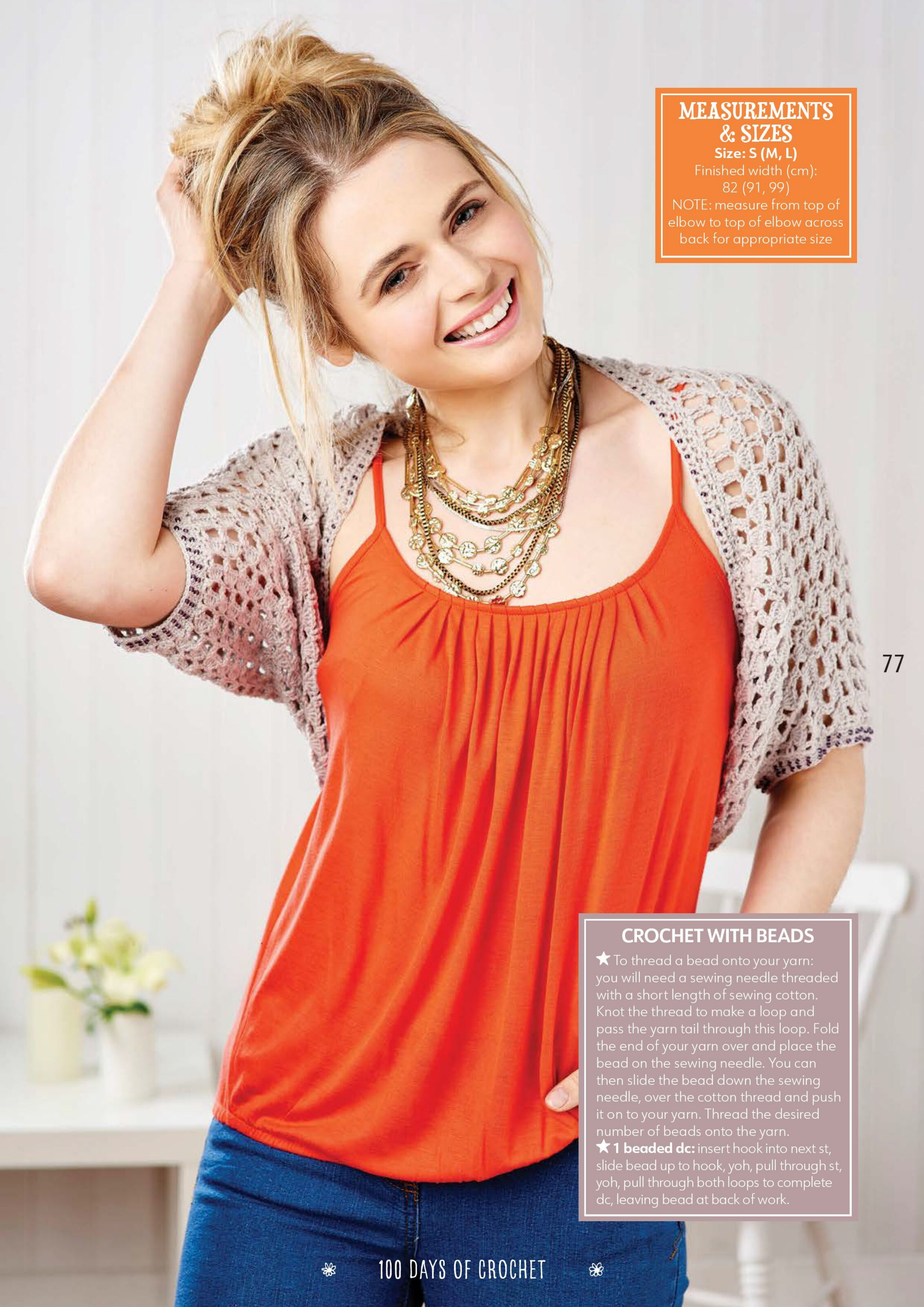
☐ Rnd 3: 1ch, work 1 beaded dc in every alt st AT THE SAME TIME working as folls: * 2dc in next st, 1dc in next seven sts, rep from * to end

Fasten off

TO MAKE UP

Join underarm seams and weave in loose ends

TOP TIP! WHEN CHOOSING BEADS, TAKE THE YARN WITH YOU TO CHECK WHETHER IT WILL PASS THROUGH THE HOLE, AND WHETHER THE SIZE, WEIGHT AND COLOUR OF THE BEADS SUIT THE YARN



MEASUREMENTS & SIZES

Size: S (M, L)
Finished width (cm):
82 (91, 99)
NOTE: measure from top of elbow to top of elbow across back for appropriate size

CROCHET WITH BEADS

★ To thread a bead onto your yarn: you will need a sewing needle threaded with a short length of sewing cotton. Knot the thread to make a loop and pass the yarn tail through this loop. Fold the end of your yarn over and place the bead on the sewing needle. You can then slide the bead down the sewing needle, over the cotton thread and push it on to your yarn. Thread the desired number of beads onto the yarn.

★ **1 beaded dc:** insert hook into next st, slide bead up to hook, yoh, pull through st, yoh, pull through both loops to complete dc, leaving bead at back of work.

DESIGNER **SUSIE JOHNS**

BEAUTIFUL BABY DRESS

MAKE ME ON DAYS 85-86

Use a combination of stitches to create a neat bodice with a ribbon drawstring

Intermediate

KIT LIST

★ DK yarn: pink, purple, white ★ Crochet hook, 5mm ★ Buttons ★ Ribbon ★ Tapestry needle ★ Scissors ★ Tape measure

To fit: 3-6 months

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"The main part of the garment is crocheted in one piece, which makes it fairly quick and simple to make"

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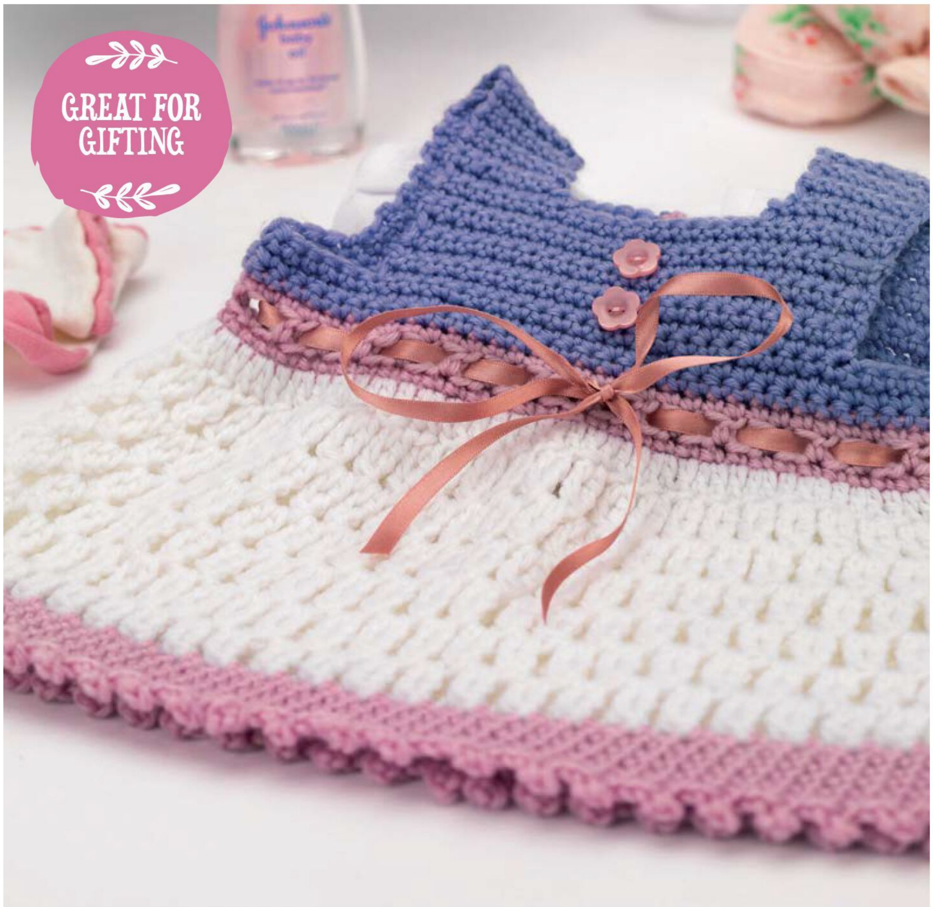
MAKE SURE THE BUTTONS ARE ATTACHED SECURELY, BY WORKING THROUGH THE HOLES SEVERAL TIMES



GREAT FOR GIFTING

DRESS

Using 5mm hook and pink yarn make 70 ch

☐ Row 1: 1dc in second ch from hook, 1dc in each ch to end. 69 dc

☐ Row 2 (eyelet row): 3ch (counts as 1htr, 1ch), * miss 1ch, 1htr in next ch, 1ch, rep from * to end

☐ Row 3: 1ch (does not count as st), 1dc in first htr, 1dc in each ch & htr to end, working last dc of row in second of 3ch

☐ Rows 4-6: 1ch (does not count as a st), 1dc in first st, 1dc in each st to end

☐ Row 7 (left back bodice): 1ch, 1dc in first st, 1dc in each of next 12 sts, turn

☐ Row 8-15: 1ch, 1dc in first st, 1dc in each st to end

☐ Row 16: 1ch, 1dc in first st, 1dc in each of next five sts(6dc), turn

☐ Rows 17-21: 1dc in each st to end

Cut yarn and fasten off

FRONT BODICE

With RS facing, miss next ten sts after armhole edge of left back bodice and join yarn to 11th st

☐ Rows 1-8: (1ch, 1dc) in first st, 1dc in each of next 22 sts, turn

☐ Row 9: (1ch, 1dc) in first st, 1dc in each of next six sts, turn. 7dc

☐ Row 10: 1ch, miss first dc, 1dc in each of next six dc

☐ Rows 11-18: (1ch, 1dc) in first dc, 1dc in each of next five dc

☐ Row 19: 3ch (counts as 1htr, 1ch), miss one st, 1htr into each of next two sts, 1ch, 1htr into last st

Cut yarn

SHOULDER STRAPS

With RS facing, miss next nine sts, join yarn to tenth st

Next row: 1ch, 1dc in first st, 1dc in each of next six sts, turn. 7dc
Work second strap to match first
With RS facing, miss next ten sts, join yarn to eleventh st and work right back bodice to match left back bodice, reversing shaping

SKIRT

With RS facing, join white yarn to first ch of foundation ch and, working along opposite edge of foundation ch, work as folls:

☐ Foundation rnd: 3ch, * 2tr in next st, 1tr in next st, rep from * to end (103 tr), sl st in third of 3ch to join rnd

☐ Rnd 1: 4ch, 1dtr in same place (counts as 2dtr tog), (1ch, miss one st, 2dtr tog in next st) 51 times, 1ch, sl st to fourth of 4ch at beg of round

☐ Rnds 2-6: 4ch, 1dtr in same place (counts as 2dtr tog), 1ch, 2dtr tog in next ch sp) 51 times, 1ch, sl st to fourth of 4ch at beg of rnd

Cut white yarn, join in pink

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☐ Rnd 1: 1ch, 1dc into each ch sp and top of each 2dtr tog to end, join with sl st to first dc of rnd

☐ Rnds 2-5: 1ch, 1dc in each dc of prev rnd, join with sl st to first dc

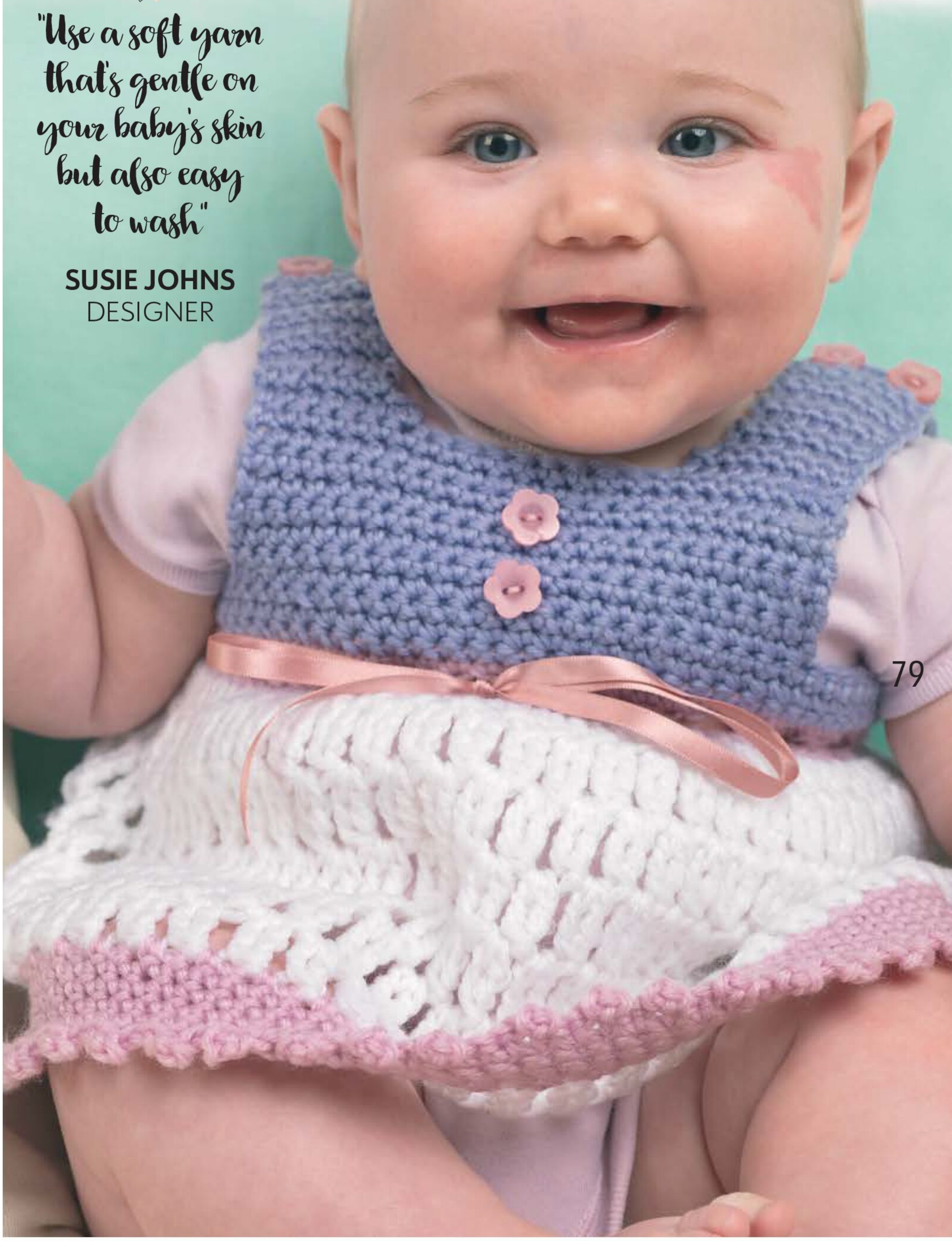
☐ Rnd 6 (picot edge): 1ch, 1dc in first st, * 1dc in next st, 4ch, sl st into first of 4ch, 1dc in next st, rep from * to end of rnd, join with sl st to first dc

Fasten off

TO MAKE UP

Weave in yarn ends.
On back opening, with RS facing, join pink yarn to top of right-hand side and work 19dc down right edge and 19dc up left edge. Work a button loop of 4ch, join with sl st to last dc and fasten off. Stitch button on opposite corner to correspond with button loop. Stitch two buttons to each back shoulder strap to correspond with buttonholes. Attach two buttons to front of bodice, then thread ribbon through eyelet holes on pink border and tie in bow at front

> "Use a soft yarn that's gentle on your baby's skin but also easy to wash"
>
> **SUSIE JOHNS**
> DESIGNER



CROCHET A BUTTONHOLE

After working as usual, decide the appropriate number of stitches to skip for the required buttonhole length and make a chain this long. Work a stitch into the next stitch to secure chain in place. Work as usual to end. On the next row, make stitches around the chain, working the same number that were used to make the row. As you reach the end of the chain, work a stitch into the next stitch of the row. Continue along the row, working into the spaces made by each chain on the previous row.

Weekend Make

DESIGNER **EMMA VARNAM**

PANDA BABY COMFORTER

This cute bear makes the perfect cuddly companion to snuggle up with

Intermediate

KIT LIST

★ Debbie Bliss Baby Cashmerino wool/acrylic/cashmere blend 4ply yarn: (A) 300 Black, (B) 101 Ecru, one 50g ball of each
★ Crochet hook, 3.5mm
★ Tapestry needle
★ Polyester stuffing
★ Safety eyes ★ Scissors
★ Tape measure

Panda head: 5cm tall x 8cm wide
Blanket: approx 26cm wide

We say

"This comforter is luxuriously comfortable thanks to the cashmere blend yarn used"

BEFORE YOU START

MAGIC RINGS ARE A NEAT WAY OF STARTING A CIRCULAR PIECE OF CROCHET WHILE AVOIDING ANY UNSIGHTLY HOLES IN THE CENTRE

PANDA EARS (MAKE 2)

Using 3.5mm hook and yarn A, make a magic ring
☐ Rnd 1: 1ch, 6dc into centre of the ring. 6 sts
☐ Rnd 2: 2dc in each st. 12 sts
☐ Rnds 3-4: work 2 rounds straight
☐ Rnd 5: (2dc, dc2tog) three times. 9 sts
Fasten off
Flatten ear. Leave a yarn tail to sew to the head

PANDA HEAD

Using 3.5mm hook and yarn B, make a magic ring
☐ Rnd 1: 1ch, 6dc into the centre of the ring
☐ Rnd 2: 2dc into each st. 12 sts
☐ Rnd 3: (dc, 2dc into next st) six times. 18 sts
☐ Rnd 4: (2dc, 2dc into next st) six times. 24 sts
☐ Rnd 5: (3dc, 2dc into next st) six times. 30 sts
☐ Rnd 6: (4dc, 2dc into next st) six times. 36 sts
☐ Rnd 7: (5dc, 2dc into next st) six times. 42 sts
☐ Rnds 8-12: work 5 rounds straight
☐ Rnd 13: (5dc, dc2tog) six times. 36 sts
☐ Rnd 14: (4dc, dc2tog) six times. 30 sts
☐ Rnd 15: (3dc, dc2tog) six times. 24 sts
☐ Rnd 16: (2dc, dc2tog) six times. 18 sts
☐ Rnd 17: (dc, dc2tog) six times. 12 sts
☐ Rnd 18: (dc2tog) six times. 6 sts
Fasten off. Leave a yarn tail to sew to the body
Position the eyes on the face. With a tapestry needle and black embroidery thread, use satin stitch to embroider a small triangle for the nose and then use a back stitch to create a line below the nose. Sew the ears firmly to the top of the head

PANDA ARMS (MAKE 2)

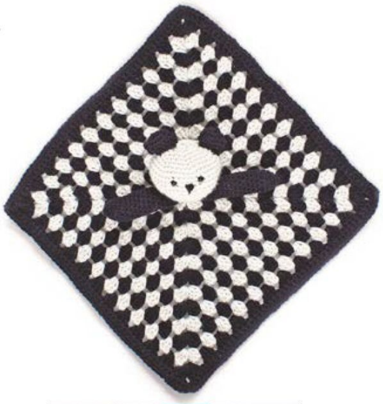
Using 3.5mm hook and yarn A, make a magic ring
☐ Rnd 1: 1ch, 6dc into the centre of the ring
☐ Rnd 2: (dc, 2dc into next st) three times. 9 sts
☐ Rnd 3: (2dc, 2dc into next st) three times. 12 sts
☐ Rnds 4-16: work 13 rounds straight
Fasten off. Leave a yarn tail to sew to the base of the head

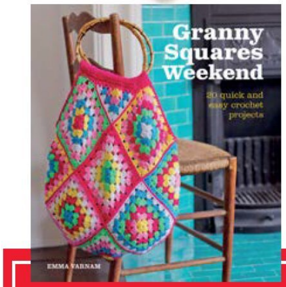
TO MAKE UP

Stuff the head firmly. Using a tapestry needle, weave the tail of yarn through the last dc sts of the round of the head and gather hole together at the neck edge. Stuff the arms firmly and fold in half widthways at the top of the arms. Sew them to the base of the head near the neck edge

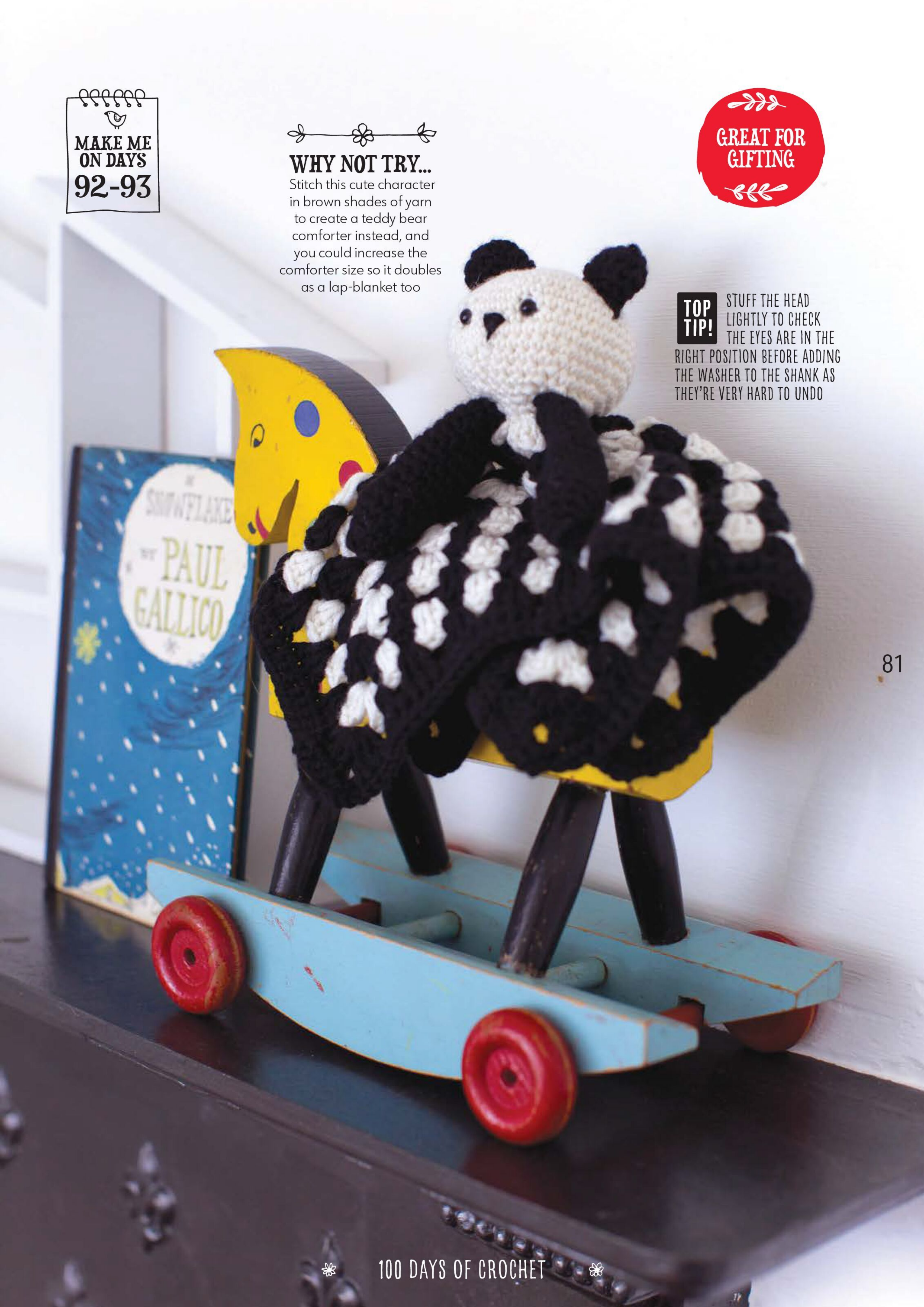
BLANKET

Using 3.5mm hook and yarn B, make 5ch, sl st in first ch to form a loop
☐ Rnd 1: 3ch, 2tr in loop, 3ch, (3tr, 3ch), rep twice more, sl st in 3ch. 4 tr clusters
☐ Rnd 2: change to yarn A, attach yarn to any 3 ch sp, 3ch, 2tr in ch sp, 3ch, 3tr, 1ch, (3tr, 3ch, 3tr, 1ch) in next ch sp three times, sl st in 3ch. 8 tr clusters
☐ Rnd 3: change to B, attach yarn to any 3 ch sp, 3ch, 2tr in ch sp, 3ch, 3tr, 1ch, (3tr, 1ch) in next ch sp, *(3tr, 3ch, 3tr, 1ch) in next 3 ch sp, (3tr, 1ch) in next ch sp; rep from * twice more, sl st in 3ch. 12 tr clusters
Continue increasing the granny square in this manner, working in alternate colours. Work until you have 48 tr clusters ending with a row in yarn A
☐ Rnds 13-14: sl st across 2 sts to corner ch sp, 1ch, (2dc, 1ch, 2dc) into sp, 1dc into each tr and 1dc into every 1ch, (2dc, 1ch, 2dc) into every 3 ch sp, sl st into 1ch at beg of rnd
Fasten off and weave in ends. The granny square will measure approx 26cm square. Gently block. Sew the head firmly to the centre of the blanket





Extracted from *Granny Squares Weekend* by Emma Varnam, £14.99 GMC Books. From hats and coasters to doorstops and decorations, this book is packed with 20 inspiring projects based on the classic granny square.



MAKE ME ON DAYS 92-93

WHY NOT TRY...

Stitch this cute character in brown shades of yarn to create a teddy bear comforter instead, and you could increase the comforter size so it doubles as a lap-blanket too

GREAT FOR GIFTING

TOP TIP! STUFF THE HEAD LIGHTLY TO CHECK THE EYES ARE IN THE RIGHT POSITION BEFORE ADDING THE WASHER TO THE SHANK AS THEY'RE VERY HARD TO UNDO

Weekend Make

DESIGNER **SARAH SHRIMPTON**

BUTTON UP IPAD COVER

MAKE ME ON DAYS 99-100

Protect your gizmos from scratches and keep it stylish with this wavy cosy

Beginner

KIT LIST

★ DK yarn: Mellow Yellow, Dancer Beige, Jumper Red, Wurlitzer Jade, Dizzy Pink, Gallop Blue ★ Crochet hook, 4mm ★ Buttons, 1.5cm diameter, three ★ Tapestry needle ★ Scissors ★ Tape measure

Cosy: 17cm wide x 27cm long

the CRAFTS CHANNEL

WATCH STEP-BY-STEP CRAFT TUTORIALS AT youtube.com/thecraftschannel

We say "The final stitch of every round is made in the joining slip stitch"

BEFORE YOU START

TO ALTER THE HEIGHT, REPEAT ROUND 1 AS MANY TIMES AS YOU WISH, AND FOR THE WIDTH, SIMPLY ENSURE THE FOUNDATION CHAIN IS A MULTIPLE OF TEN

Using 4mm hook and Mellow Yellow make 60ch, join with a sl st to form a ring, being careful not to twist sts

Work in foll one-rnd stripe sequence: Mellow Yellow, Wurlitzer Jade, Gallop Blue, Dizzy Pink, Wurlitzer Jade, Dizzy Pink, Jumper Red, Mellow Yellow, Gallop Blue, Dancer Beige, Gallop Blue, Mellow Yellow, Jumper Red, Wurlitzer Jade, Dizzy Pink, Dancer Beige, Mellow Yellow, Jumper Red, Gallop Blue, Dizzy Pink, Wurlitzer Jade

☐ Rnd 1: 3ch in first st (counts as 1tr), 1tr, 2htr, 1dc, one sl st, 1dc, 2htr, (3tr, 2htr, 1dc, one sl st, 1dc, 2htr) to last st, 1tr, join with a sl st to third of first 3ch

☐ Rnds 2-20: (3ch [counts as 1tr], 2tr) in same st, 3tr, tr3tog, 3tr, (3tr in next st, 3tr, tr3tog, 3tr,) to end, join with a sl st to third of first 3ch, one sl st in next st

☐ Rnd 21: 1dc, 2htr, 3tr, 2htr, 1dc, (one sl st, 1dc, 2htr, 3tr, 2htr, 1dc) to end, join with a sl st to sl st from prev rnd

Cont in Wurlitzer Jade

☐ Rnd 22: 1ch, 1dc in each st to end, join with a sl st to first st

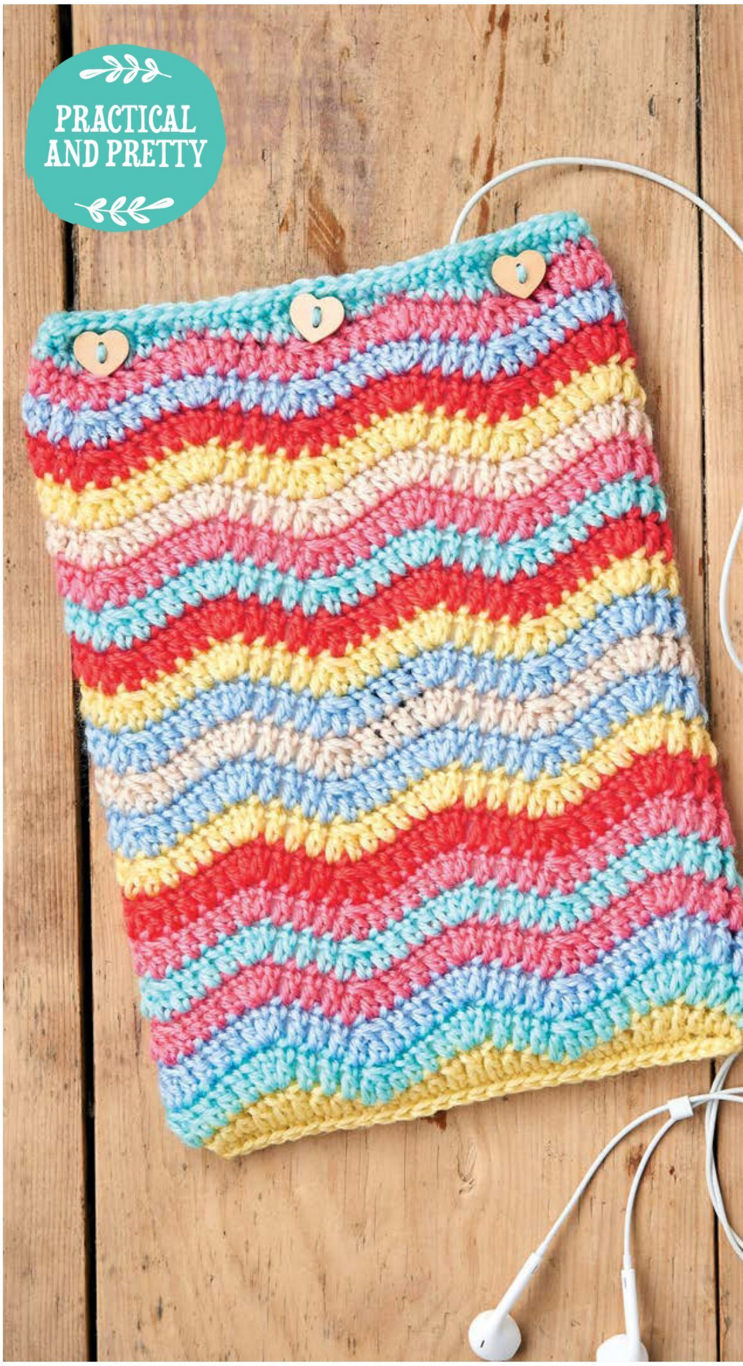
TO MAKE UP

Using 4mm hook and Mellow Yellow, close bottom edge with a row of dc, working from right to left

Fasten off, sew in ends

Sew buttons to inside of back piece

TOP TIP! DON'T WORRY ABOUT BUTTONHOLES – YOU CAN SIMPLY PUSH THE BUTTONS THROUGH THE SPACES BETWEEN THE TALLER TREBLE STITCHES



PRACTICAL AND PRETTY

MAKE ME ON DAY 46

CHALLENGE YOURSELF:

DEDICATE A SPACE

Make way for a designated crochet area

For maximum making bliss, create a special crochet corner where you can concentrate on your craft! Take some time to get your set-up sorted – you will thank yourself for it later. Even if you don't have a whole room spare to convert into a craft room, find a quiet spot in the house that you can claim as your own. Make sure you have a comfy chair, good lighting, a radio (or TV), and a surface that you can leave any in-progress projects without them being disturbed. You will also need a place to corral the immediate essentials (perhaps a mini chest, storage footstool, case, basket or tray table) – other supplies, such as books and patterns can be stored elsewhere if need be. If your stitching station is all ready to go at a moment's notice, you can get straight on with crocheting whenever the mood takes you!

THE BIG PROJECT

Transform

The Big Project

Intermediate

KIT LIST

- ★ Drops Alpaca 4ply yarn: (A) 100 Off White, 3 (4, 4, 5, 5) 50g balls, (B) 6205 Light Blue, (C) 7300 Lime, 1 (2, 2, 2, 2) 50g balls of each, (D) 2921 Pink, (E) 3140 Light Pink, (F) 3770 Dark Pink, 1 (1, 1, 2, 2) 50g balls of each, (G) 2915 Orange, (H) 2923 Goldenrod, (I) 6347 Grey Purple, one 50g ball of each
- ★ Crochet hook, 3mm

TENSION SQUARE

- ★ 23 sts x 12 rows
- ★ 10cm x 10cm
- ★ Treble crochet
- ★ 2.5mm hook

We say

"Unlike traditional granny squares, turn after every completed round"

BEFORE YOU START

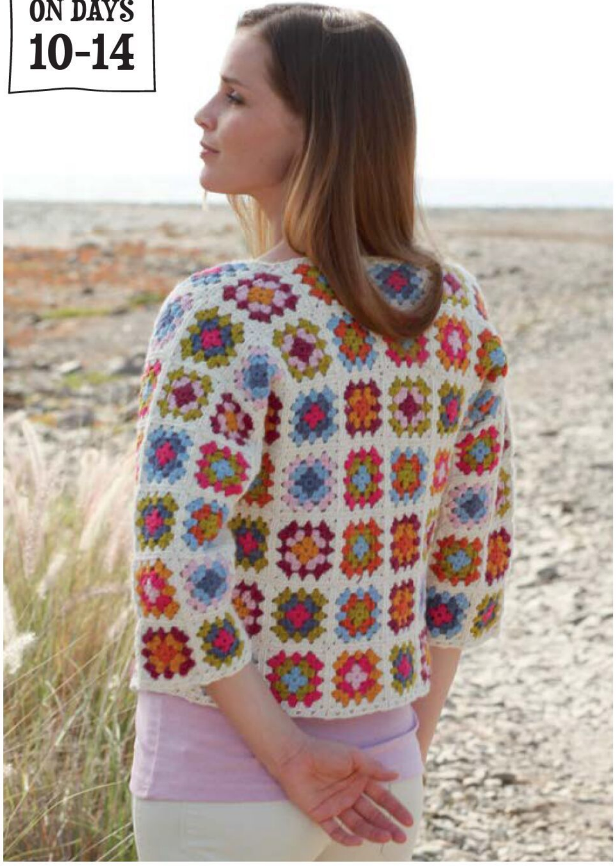
THERE IS A LOT OF SEWING UP, BUT YOU COULD CROCHET THE SQUARES TOGETHER IF YOU PREFER

CRAFT A PATCHWORK JACKET

Get creative with colour in this granny square-inspired project

DESIGNER **DROPS DESIGN**

MAKE ME ON DAYS 10-14



COLOUR SEQUENCE

Use yarns in foll order changing colour after every rnd:

☐ Square 1: C, G, B, A
☐ Square 2: H, E, F, A
☐ Square 3: B, C, G, A
☐ Square 4: F, E, C, A
☐ Square 5: E, D, H, A
☐ Square 6: D, I, B, A
☐ Square 7: I, B, E, A
☐ Square 8: D, I, C, A
☐ Square 9: G, H, F, A
☐ Square 10: B, C, D, A

GRANNY SQUARE (MAKE 120, 142, 152, 208, 218)

NOTE: Work 12 (14, 15, 20, 21) squares in every Colour sequence, plus 0 (2, 2, 8, 8) squares in sequence of your choice

Using 3mm hook, make 6ch, sl st in first ch to join

☐ Rnd 1: 3ch (counts as 1tr throughout), 2tr in ring, * 3ch, 3tr in ring, rep from * twice more, 3ch, sl st in third ch from beg of rnd, turn

Change to next colour (see Colour Sequence panel)

☐ Rnd 2: 3ch, 2tr in first ch sp, 3ch, 3tr in same ch sp, * 1ch, 3tr in next ch sp, 3ch, 3tr in same ch sp, rep from * twice more, 1ch, sl st in third ch from beg of rnd, turn

Change to next colour

☐ Rnd 3: 3ch, 2tr in first ch sp, 1ch, * 3tr in next ch sp, 3ch, 3tr in same ch sp, 1ch, 3tr in next ch sp, 1ch, rep from * twice more, 3tr in next ch sp, 3ch, 3tr in same ch sp, 1ch, sl st in third ch from beg of rnd, turn

☐ Rnd 4: 3ch, 2tr in first ch sp, 1ch, * 3tr in next ch sp, 3ch, 3tr in same ch sp, 1ch, 3tr in next ch sp, 1ch, 3tr in next ch sp, 1ch, rep from * twice more, 3tr in next ch sp, 3ch, 3tr in same ch sp, 1ch, 3tr in next ch sp, 1ch, sl st in third ch from beg of rnd

Fasten off

SLEEVE GUSSET (MAKE 2)

Using 3mm hook and yarn A, make 7 (8, 8, 8, 8) ch

☐ Row 1: 1tr in fourth ch from hook, 1tr in each st to end, turn. 5 (6, 6, 6, 6) sts

☐ Row 2: 3ch (counts as 1tr), 1tr in each st to end, turn

☐ Rep last rnd until work meas 10cm

☐ Next row (inc): 3ch, 2tr in next st, 1tr in each st to last two sts, 2tr in next st, 1tr in last st

First size only:

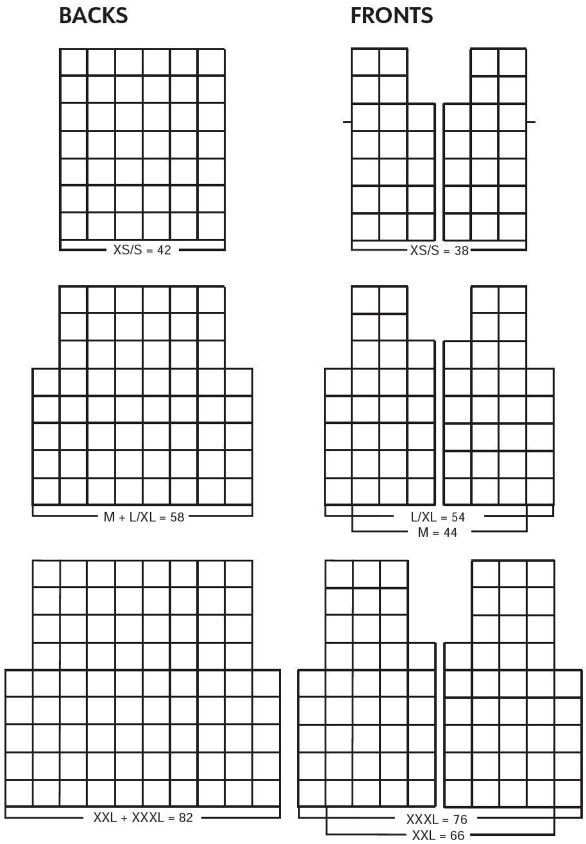
☐ Cont in tr patt, rep inc row every 3 (-, -, -, -) rows a total of 9 (-, -, -, -) times

☐ Cont in tr patt without shaping until work meas 33cm

Fasten off

Second, third, fourth & fifth sizes only:

☐ Cont in tr patt, rep inc row



MEASUREMENTS & SIZES

Size:	XS-S (M, L-XL, XXL, XXXL)
Actual chest (cm):	78 (92, 104, 118, 130)
Length (cm):	46 (52, 52, 59, 59)
Sleeve length (cm):	33
One square:	6.5cm x 6.5cm

every - (2, 2, 2, 2) rows a total of - (12, 12, 12, 12) times AT THE SAME TIME when work meas 30 (30, 26, 26) cm, divide as folls:

☐ Next row: 3ch, work to centre of row, turn

Cont on these sts only

☐ Next row: 3ch, 1tr in each st to end, turn

☐ Cont in tr patt on these sts until work meas 33cm

☐ Rejoin yarn to rem sts and complete second side to match

TO MAKE UP

Using yarn A, sew Squares tog for Back and Front pieces as shown on diagram. Use 20 (20, 20, 30, 30) squares per sleeve. For first,second and third sizes, sew them in a block of four squares wide by fives squares long. For fourth and fifth sizes, sew a block of six squares wide by five squares long. Sew Sleeve gusset to each side of squares on sleeves and sew Sleeves to Body with widest part of gusset at armhole. Join side seams and shoulder seams - for second and third sizes, there is one row of squares in middle of armhole. For fourth and fifth sizes, there are two rows of squares

EDGING

Using 3mm hook and yarn A, rejoin yarn to middle of back neck

☐ 1ch, 1dc in 1ch at edge of one square, 3ch, 2tr in same ch sp, * 1ch, 3tr in next ch sp, rep from * to end working corners as folls:

☐ Inward-facing corners: 1tr in last ch sp before corner, 1tr in corner, 1tr in first ch sp after corner

☐ Outward-facing corners: 3tr in corner ch sp on square, 3ch, 3tr in same ch sp

STASH BUSTER

Learn & Craft

There are many ways to join granny squares. For a neat crochet join, lay one square above another, WS together. Starting at a corner and using white or a contrasting yarn, work 1dc into a back loop of first square and a back loop of second square then continue to work dc along one side. Pick up the next two squares and continue working the row of dc along the edge. Continue in this manner until you've completed the desired column on the chart, then repeat to complete the other joins

☐ Front top neck corner: 3tr in corner ch sp on square, work a ch 28cm long, turn, 1dc in each ch, 3tr in same corner ch sp

Fasten off

SLEEVE EDGING

Using 3mm hook and yarn A, rejoin yarn to sleeve edge

☐ 1ch, 1dc in 1ch at edge of one square, 3ch, 2tr in same ch sp, * 1ch, 3tr in next ch sp, rep from * to end working over Sleeve gusset as folls:

☐ * 1tr in each of first three tr, 1ch, miss one tr, rep from * across gusset

Fasten off

DESIGNER **LESLEY ARNOLD-HOPKINS**

BONUS PROJECT
YOU CAN MAKE ME INSTEAD

Intermediate

KIT LIST

★ DK yarn: Turquoise, 10 (11, 13, 15, 17) 50g balls, White, 1 (1, 2, 2, 2) 50g balls ★ Crochet hook, 4mm ★ Large button, one, white ★ Tapestry needle ★ Scissors ★ Tape measure

TENSION SQUARE

★ 18 sts x 11 rows
★ 10cm x 10cm
★ Treble crochet
★ 4mm hook

We say "This design allows you to practise colour changing by adding double treble swirl motifs"

BEFORE YOU START

WHEN WORKING ON SOMETHING LARGE LIKE THIS, MARK YOUR PROGRESS EVERY 10-20 STITCHES – IF YOU LOSE COUNT, YOU DON'T NEED TO BACKTRACK AS FAR

MEASUREMENTS & SIZES

Sizes: XS (S M L XL)
To fit bust (cm): 76 (86, 96, 106, 116)
Actual bust size (cm): 82.5 (94, 105, 117, 127)

SWIRL PATTERN (MULTIPLE OF 7 STS PLUS 1)

☐ Row 1: using 4mm hook and Turquoise, 4ch (counts as first dtr), * 1tr, 1htr, 2dc, 1htr, 1tr, 1dtr, rep from * to end, turn Change to White
☐ Row 2: * 4ch, tr6tog, 4ch, one sl st in next dtr, rep from * to end, turn
☐ Row 3: sl st in first sl st, * 6tr where the six sts were joined on prev row, sl st into next sl st, rep from * to end, turn Change to Turquoise
☐ Row 4: Rep Row 1

CARDIGAN PATTERN

NOTE: make bottom part of sleeves first, then make body section, before working Yoke

SLEEVES (MAKE 2)

Using 4mm hook and Turquoise, make 44 (44, 44, 44, 51) ch
☐ Foundation row: starting in second ch from hook, 1dc in each ch. 43 (43, 43, 43, 50) sts
☐ Row 1: 1ch, dc to end
☐ Rep Row 1, 3 (3, 4, 4, 5) times
☐ Work Swirl patt once
☐ Work in tr inc one st at each end of every third row 14 (15, 16, 16, 16) times until there are 71 (73, 75, 75, 82) sts
☐ Cont in tr, inc one st at each end of every other row 0 (0, 2, 5, 5) times. 71 (73, 77, 85, 92)
☐ Next row: 3 (3, 3, 4, 4) sl st, 65 (66, 70, 77, 84) tr, sl st to end Fasten off

BACK & FRONTS (WORKED AS ONE PIECE)

Using 4mm hook and Turquoise, make 156 (177, 198, 219, 240) ch
☐ Foundation row: starting in second ch from hook, 1dc in each ch. 155 (176, 197, 218, 239) sts
☐ Row 1: 3ch (counts as first tr), tr to end
☐ Work Swirl patt once
☐ Work as Row 1 of this section for 20 (22, 24, 26, 28) more rows
☐ Next row: 3ch (counts as first

Learn & Craft

When changing yarns in crochet, it is best to introduce the new shade in the final step of the previous stitch. For example, in this swirl cardigan the change comes after a double treble.

- **Work the first part of the dtr as follows:** yoh twice, insert hook into stated st, yoh and pull through st (4 loops on hook), yoh and pull through first two loops (3 loops on hook), yoh and pull through first two loops (two loops on hook).
- **Now introduce the new shade:** Make a loop and wrap it around the hook, leaving a tail (this will be weaved in later). Using the new colour, draw the yarn through the remaining two loops to complete your dtr. You can now continue in your second colour

tr), 35 (40, 45, 50, 55) tr, 6 (7, 7, 8, 8) sl st, 71 (80, 91, 100, 111) tr, 6 (7, 7, 8, 8) sl st, tr to end

YOKE

NOTE: 3ch at beg of row counts as first tr

☐ Row 1: 3ch, 35 (40, 45, 50, 55) tr from Right Front, 65 (66, 70, 77, 84) tr from first Sleeve, 71 (80, 91, 100, 111) tr from Back, 65 (66, 70, 77, 84) from second Sleeve, 36 (41, 46, 51, 56) tr from Left Front, turn
☐ Row 2: tr to end inc 1 (1, 0, 2, 2) st evenly across row. 274 (295, 323, 358, 393) sts
☐ Work Swirl patt once
☐ Next row: 3ch, 1 (1, 0, 3, 0) tr, * 8tr, dec 1, rep from * to last 2 (3, 2, 4, 2) sts, tr to end
☐ Work two rows in tr without shaping
☐ Next row: 3ch, 1 (1, 0, 3, 0) tr, * dec 1, 7tr, rep from * to last 2 (3, 2, 4, 2) sts, tr to end
☐ Work 1 (1, 2, 2, 2) rows in tr
☐ Next row: 3ch, 1 (1, 0, 3, 0) tr, * 6tr, dec 1, rep from * to last 2 (3, 2, 4, 2) sts, tr to end
☐ Work two rows in tr without shaping
☐ Next row: 3ch, 1 (1, 0, 3, 0) tr, * dec1, 5tr, rep from * to last 2 (3, 2, 4, 2) sts, tr to end
☐ Next row: 3ch, 65 (70, 77, 86, 93) tr, 34 (37, 39, 44, 49) dtr, tr to end
☐ Next row: 3ch, 1 (1, 0, 3, 0) tr, * 4tr, dec 1, rep from * to last 2 (3, 2, 4, 2) sts, tr to end
☐ Work 1 (1, 2, 2, 2) rows in tr without shaping
☐ Next row: 3ch, 55 (59, 64, 72, 78) tr, 27 (30, 33, 37, 40) dtr, tr to end
☐ Next row: 3ch, 1 (1, 0, 3, 0) tr, * dec 1, 3tr, rep from * to last 2 (3, 2, 4, 2) sts, tr to end
☐ Work two rows in tr without shaping
☐ Next row: 3ch, 1 (4, 3, 4, 3) tr, * dec 1, 16 (12, 29, 18, 36) tr; rep from * to last 2 (4, 3, 3, 3) sts, tr to end. 106 (113, 127, 141, 155)
Work Swirl patt once
Fasten off

BUTTON BAND

Starting at bottom right front, dc along the edge making 2dc in each row end, 5dc across end of Swirl patt, 1dc in top of each st at end, cont down Left Front
☐ Next row (buttonhole row): 1ch, cont in dc working 2dc into one st at each end of neck, when level with swirl on the right front work 3ch, miss next three sts, dc to end
☐ Next row: 1dc in each st, including the 3ch
Fasten off

TO MAKE UP

Sew up Sleeves and underarm. Weave in all ends. Attach button to Left Front

WHY NOT TRY...

Instead of using an eye-catching contrasting yarn for the swirls, you could instead use the main colour again for a subtle textured pattern

COLOUR TO SUIT YOUR STYLE

The Big Project

Beginner

KIT LIST

- ★ DK yarn: Mocha, Chocolate, Rosy, Mint, Snow, Pansy, Mocha, Chocolate, Petal, Sunny, Snow, Emerald, Bluebell, Clematis, Dove, Daffodil, Blossom, Raindrop, Cloud, Violet, Bonbon, Aniseed, Minty, Sherbet
- ★ Crochet hook, 4mm
- ★ Tapestry needle
- ★ Scissors ★ Tape measure

We say

"Working into the back loop only gives the work a textured, almost 3-D effect and looks like layers when worked on shell stitches"

BEFORE YOU START

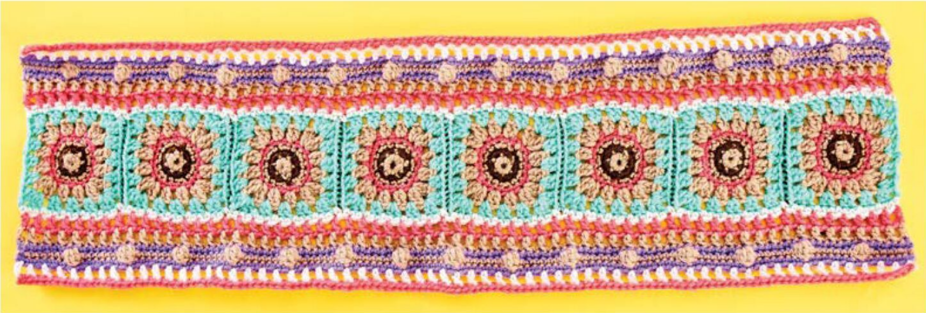
ROWS 4-5 OF THE EDGING ROWS HELP YOU TO CREATE AN OPEN MESH EFFECT BECAUSE YOU WORK INTO THE CHAIN SPACES RATHER THAN THE STITCHES THEMSELVES

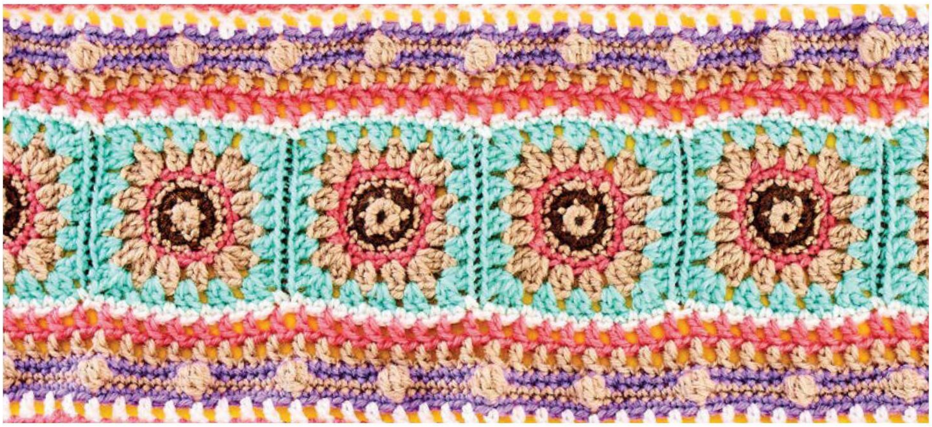
MAKE ME ON DAYS 24-28

CROCHET A LAYERED BLANKET

Gradually build up a colourful throw to give, or to cosy up with on the sofa with

DESIGNER **CORINNE BRADD**





GRANNY SQUARES (MAKE 8)

Using 4mm hook and Mocha make 4ch, join with a sl st into a ring

☐ Rnd 1: 6dc into ring. Six sts

Change to Chocolate

☐ Rnd 2: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts

Change to Mocha

☐ Rnd 3: (1dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 18 sts

Change to Rosy

☐ Rnd 4: (2dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 24 sts

Change to Mocha

☐ Rnd 5: (3ch, 1tr) in next st, * 1ch, miss next st, (tr2tog, 2ch, tr2tog) in next st, 1ch, miss next st, tr2tog in next st, 1ch, miss next st, tr2tog in next st, rep from twice, 1ch, miss next st, (tr2tog, 2ch, tr2tog) in next st, 1ch, miss next st, tr2tog in next st, 1ch, miss next st, join with a sl st to third of first 3ch. 16 2tr cl made

Change to Mint

☐ Rnd 6: (3ch, 1tr) in next 1ch sp, 1ch, 2tr in next 1ch sp, 1ch, * (2tr, 1ch, 2tr, 1ch) in next 2ch corner sp, (2tr, 1ch) in each of next three 1ch sps, rep from * twice, (2tr, 1ch, 2tr, 1ch) in next 2ch corner sp, (2tr, 1ch) in next 1ch sp, join with a sl st to third of first 3ch. 40 sts

Fasten off

TO MAKE UP

Dampen and pin to a blocking board. When dry, sew Granny Squares into a strip of eight

EDGING (MAKE 2)

Using 4mm hook and Snow, join to first st at top-right of blanket

☐ Row 1: 1dc in each st and ch sp to end

Work in foll one-row stripe sequence: Rosy, Mocha

☐ Rows 2-3: 4ch (counts as 1tr, 1ch), (miss next st, 1tr, 1ch) to end

Change to Pansy

☐ Row 4: rep Row 1

Change to Mocha

☐ Row 5: (7dc, MB) to end

Change to Pansy

☐ Row 6: rep Row 1

Change to Snow

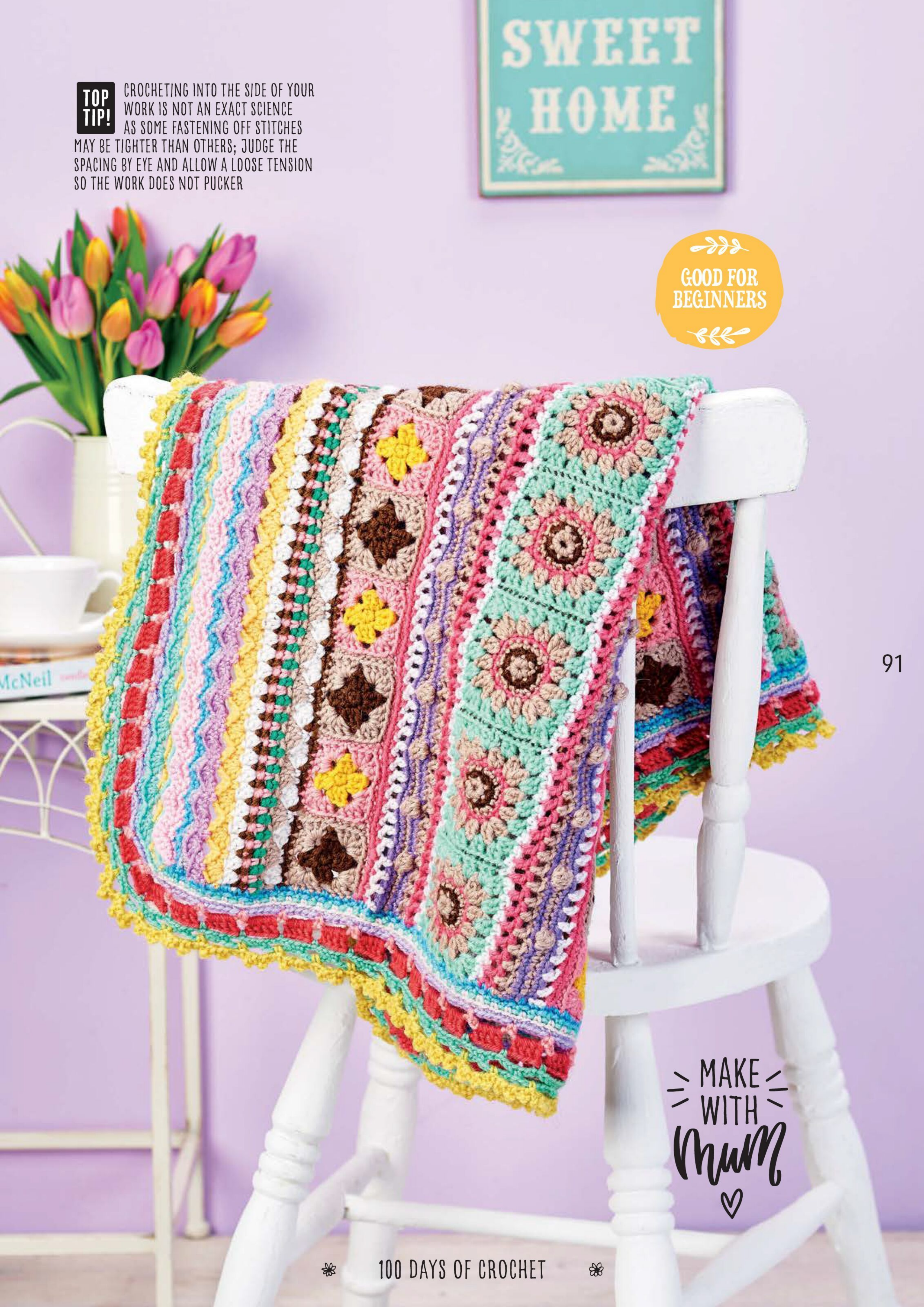
☐ Row 7: rep Row 2

Change to Rosy

☐ Row 8: rep Row 1

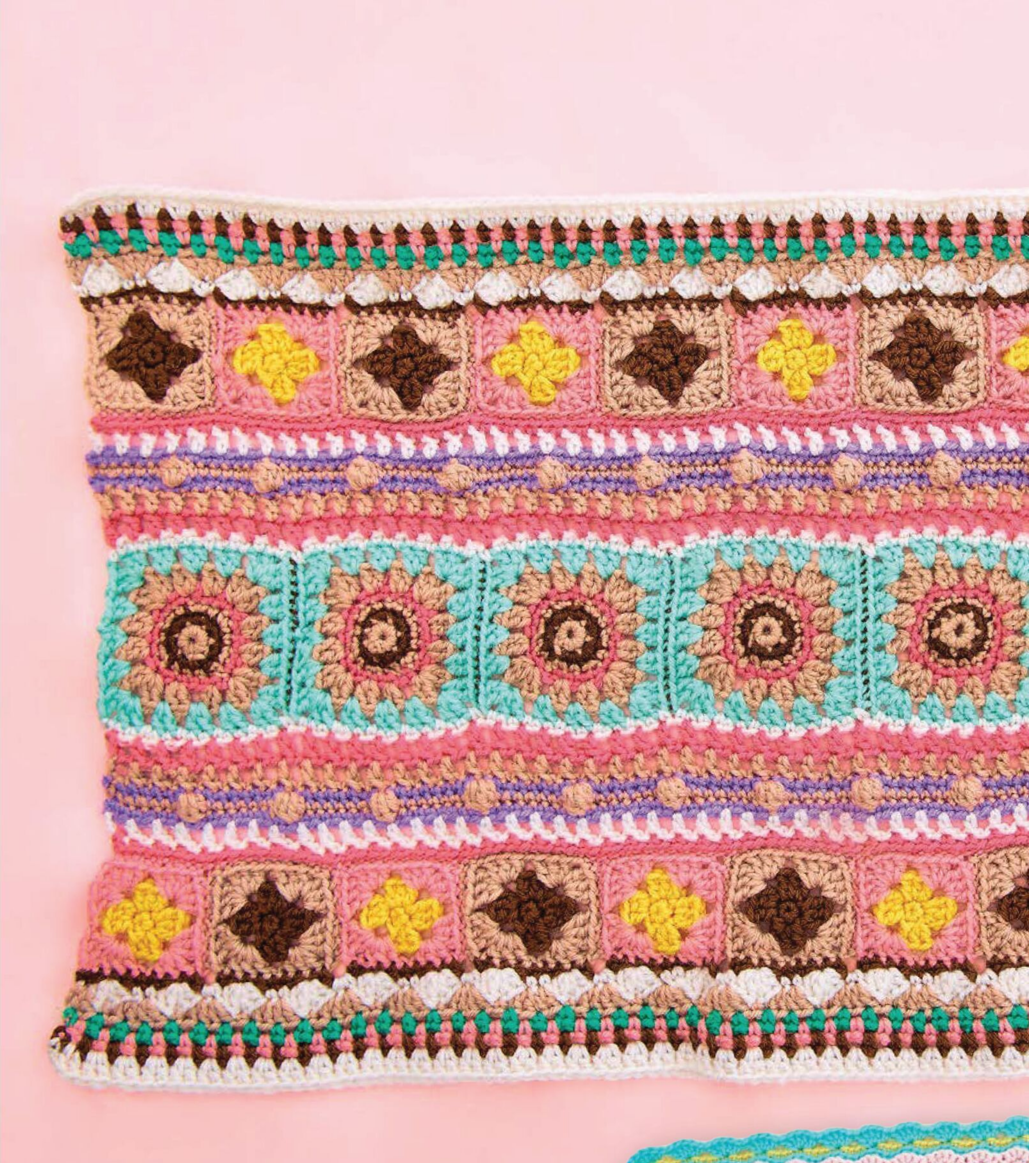
Fasten off

TOP TIP! CROCHETING INTO THE SIDE OF YOUR WORK IS NOT AN EXACT SCIENCE AS SOME FASTENING OFF STITCHES MAY BE TIGHTER THAN OTHERS; JUDGE THE SPACING BY EYE AND ALLOW A LOOSE TENSION SO THE WORK DOES NOT PUCKER



GOOD FOR BEGINNERS

MAKE WITH mum



GRANNY SQUARES (MAKE 24, 12 IN EACH COLOUR)

Using 4mm hook and Sunny (Chocolate) make 4ch, join with a sl st to first ch to form a ring

☐ Rnd 1: work 4dc into ring. Four sts

☐ Rnd 2: (3ch [counts as 1tr], 2tr) in next st, (2ch, 3tr) in each st to end, 2ch, join with a sl st to third of first 3ch. 12 sts

Fasten off Sunny (Chocolate), join Petal (Mocha) to any 2ch corner sp

☐ Rnd 3: (3ch [counts as 1tr], 2tr, 2ch, 3tr) in same 2ch corner sp, (1ch, 3tr, 2ch, 3tr) in each 2ch corner sp to end, 1ch, join with a sl st to third of first 3ch. 24 sts

Fasten off

TO MAKE UP

Dampen Granny Squares and pin to a blocking board. When dry, sew together into two strips of 12, alternating colourways. Sew one strip to each side of blanket, matching sts and adding a st to each joining seam to fit

EDGING ROWS

NOTE: working on RS only, work on either side of strip of squares, fastening off at end of each row and joining new colour at other end

Using 4mm hook and Chocolate, work 1dc in each st to end, working 2ch over each seam between Granny Squares

Change to Snow

☐ Row 1: * 1dc, miss next st, (2tr, 1ch, 2tr) in next st, miss next st, 1dc, rep from * to end, counting each 2ch sp as two sts

Change to Mocha

☐ Row 2: (3ch [counts as 1tr], 1tr) in next st, (miss two sts, 1dc in 1ch sp, miss two sts, 2tr in each of next two sts) to end

Change to Emerald

☐ Row 3: 1dc, (miss next st, 2ch, 1dc) to end

Work in foll one-row stripe sequence: Petal, Chocolate

☐ Rows 4-5: 1dc, (2ch, 1dc in next 2ch sp) to end

Change to Snow

☐ Row 6: 3ch in next st (counts as 1tr), 2tr in each 2ch sp to last st, 1tr

Fasten off

BLANKET

Using 4mm hook and Daffodil join to first st at top-right of blanket, RS facing

☐ Row 1: 1dc in first st, *miss a st, 5tr into next st, miss a st, 1dc in next st, rep from * to end

Change to Clematis

☐ Row 2: 1dc in first st, 4ch, *1dc in third tr, 5ch, rpt from * to last set of tr, 4ch, 1dc in last st

☐ Rnd 3: sl st in second ch, (2ch, 2tr) in same ch, *1dc in dc. 5tr in third ch, rep from * to last dc, 3tr in third ch

Change to Dove

☐ Row 4: 1dc into back loop of each st

Change to Bluebell

☐ Row 5: 2dc, *miss two sts, 1dc in next st, 3dc in next st, 1dc in next st, rep from * to last st. Work extra dc into this st, work dc along side at regular intervals

Change to Blossom

☐ Row 6: 3dc, *3dc in next st, 1dc in next st, miss two sts, 1dc in next st, rep from * to last crest, 3dc

☐ Row 7: 4htr, *3htr in next st, 1htr in next st, miss two sts, 1htr in next st, rep from * to last crest, 4htr

Change to Raindrop

☐ Row 8: 1dc into back loop of each st

Change to Daffodil

☐ Row 9: 1dc into back loop of each st

Change to Raindrop

☐ Row 10: 2dc, miss two sts, *5tr in next st, miss four sts, rep from * to last shell, miss two sts, 2dc, work ** 1dc, 1ch, miss a st, rep from ** along side

Change to Cloud

☐ Row 11: *1dc in ch sp, 1ch, miss a st, rep from * to end along side

FINAL EDGING

Using 4mm hook and Violet, join to one corner

☐ Rnd 1: 1dc into every st on all sides, join with a sl st to first st

Fasten off

Change to Bonbon

☐ Rnd 2: join to corner, 1ch, 1dc in first st, (5ch, miss four sts, 1dc) to end, join with sl st to first st

Change to Aniseed

☐ Rnd 3: join at corner ch sp, *3ch (counts as 1tr), 3tr in ch sp, 2ch, 4tr in same ch sp, **1ch, 4tr in next ch sp, rep from ** to next corner ch sp, rep from * to end, join with a sl st to first st

Change to Minty

☐ Rnd 4: join at corner ch sp, 1dc in ch sp, *4ch, miss next 4trs, 1dc into next ch sp, rep from * to end, join with a sl st to first st

☐ Rnd 5: join to second ch of corner ch sp, 1dc in same ch, *4ch, miss next sts, 1dc into second ch of next ch sp, rep from * to end, join with a sl st to first st

Change to Sherbet

☐ Rnd 6: join to corner ch sp, 1dc in ch sp, *(4ch, sl st into fourth ch from hook) three times, 1dc into next ch sp, rep from * to end, working an extra set of picots into each corner ch sp. Join with a sl st to first st

Fasten off

IN STITCHES

Make bobble (MB): Work 5tr in next st, leaving last part of each tr unworked on hook. Five loops on hook. Yoh, draw through all five loops on hook

Learn & Craft

Blocking is when you lay out your knitted or crochet pieces on a flat surface and ease them into the shape or size. To do this, pin yours down at the edges and steam the pieces, making sure that the iron doesn't actually touch your project, as this would effectively squash the fibres. However, you can lightly press with a damp cloth if the fibre allows. Leave to dry, preferably overnight, and the result will be well worth it. If you do this to identical crocheted pieces that you're planning to join together, it makes them match each other better, and you can see where the subtleties of decreases/increases are.

The Big Project

Intermediate

KIT LIST

- ★ Cascade 220 Superwash DK wool yarn: (A) 871 White, four 100g balls, (B) 910A Winter White, three 100g balls, (C) 815 Black, one 100g ball, (D) 819 Chocolate, 235cm length
- ★ Crochet hook, 4mm
- ★ Blunt yarn needle
- ★ Toy stuffing ★ Scissors
- ★ Tape measure

Rug: approx 70cm long (exc. head) x 82cm wide

TENSION SQUARE

- ★ 17 sts x 14 rows
- ★ 10cm x 10cm
- ★ Half treble
- ★ 4mm hook

We say

"The lining is in a subtly different shade of white to the main colour"

BEFORE YOU START

IF SUBSTITUTING YARNS, CALCULATE THE NUMBER OF BALLS REQUIRED BY METERAGE, NOT WEIGHT, AS THIS VARIES DEPENDING ON THE FIBRE

MAKE A POLAR BEAR RUG

MAKE ME ON DAYS 38-42

Craft a faux animal skin by crocheting separate bits and sewing them together

DESIGNER **VANESSA MOONCIE**

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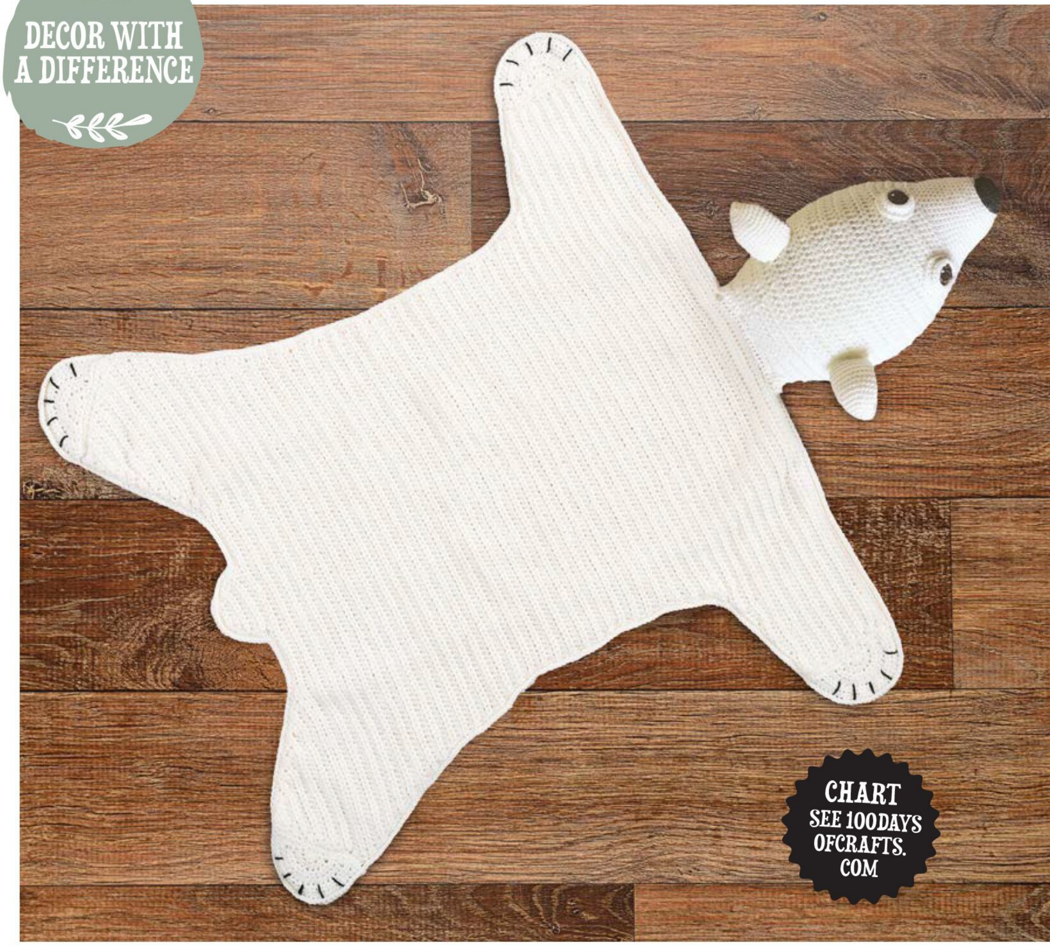

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HEAD

Snout:

With 4mm hook and yarn A, make a magic loop

☐ Rnd 1: 1ch, 6dc into loop. 6 sts

☐ Rnd 2: (2dc into next st) 6 times. Close the loop by pulling tightly on the short end of the yarn. 12 sts

☐ Rnd 3: (2dc into next st, 1dc) 6 times. 18 sts

☐ Rnd 4: (2dc into next st, 2dc) 6 times. 24 sts

☐ Rnd 5: (2dc into next st, 3dc) 6 times. 30 sts

☐ Rnd 6: (2dc into next st, 4dc) 6 times. 36 sts

☐ Rnds 7-9: 1dc in each dc

☐ Rnd 10: (2dc into next st, 5dc) 6 times. 42 sts

☐ Rnds 11-13: 1dc in each dc

☐ Rnd 14: (2dc into next st, 6dc) 6 times. 48 sts

☐ Rnds 15-20: 1dc in each dc, turn

Shape head:

The following is worked in rows. Continue with yarn A

☐ Row 1 (WS): 2ch, 1htr in next 10htr, (2htr into next st, 4htr) 3 times, 1htr in next 2htr, (2htr into next st, 4htr) 3 times, 1htr in next 6htr, sl st in first htr, turn. 54 sts

☐ Row 2 (RS): 2ch, 1htr in next 10htr, (2htr into next st, 5htr) 3 times, 1htr in next 3htr, (2htr into next st, 5htr) 3 times, 1htr in next 5htr, sl st in first htr, turn. 60 sts

☐ Row 3: 2ch, 1htr in next 10htr, *(2htr into next st, 6htr) 3 times, 1htr in next 4htr; rep

from *, sl st in first htr, turn. 66 sts
☐ Row 4: 2ch, 1htr in next 10htr, (2htr into next st, 7htr) 3 times, 1htr in next 5htr, (2htr into next st, 7htr) 3 times, 1htr in next 3htr, sl st in first htr, turn. 72 sts
☐ Rows 5-19: 2ch, 1htr in same htr as sl st, 1htr in each htr, sl st in first htr, turn
☐ Row 20: 2ch, 1htr in next 10htr, (htr2tog, 7htr) 3 times, 1htr in next 5htr, (htr2tog, 7htr) 3 times, 1htr in next 3htr, sl st in first htr, turn. 66 sts
☐ Row 21: 2ch, 1htr in each htr, sl st in first htr, turn
☐ Row 22: 2ch, 1htr in next 10htr, *(htr2tog, 6htr) 3 times, 1htr in next 4htr; rep from *, sl st in first htr, turn. 60 sts
☐ Row 23: 2ch, 1htr in each htr, sl st in first htr, turn
☐ Row 24: 2ch, 1htr in next 10htr, (htr2tog, 5htr) 3 times, 1htr in next 3htr, (htr2tog, 5htr) 3 times, 1htr in next 5htr, sl st in first htr, turn. 54 sts
☐ Row 25: 2ch, 1htr in each htr, sl st in first htr
☐ Row 26: 2ch, 1htr in next 10htr, (2htr into next st, 4htr) 3 times, 1htr in next 2htr, (2htr into next st, 4htr) 3 times, 1htr in next 6htr, sl st in first htr, turn. 48 sts
☐ Rows 27-29: 2ch, 1htr in each htr, sl st in first htr, turn
Fasten off, leaving a long tail of yarn

EYES (MAKE 2)

With 4mm hook and yarn C, make a magic loop
☐ Rnd 1 (RS): 1ch, 5dc into loop. Join D in last dc. 5 sts
☐ Rnd 2: with yarn D, (2dc into next st) 5 times. Close the loop by pulling tightly on the short end of the yarn. 10 sts
☐ Rnd 3: (2dc into next st, 1dc) 5 times. Join A in last dc. 15 sts
Continue with yarn A
☐ Rnd 4: (2dc into next st, 2dc) 5 times. 20 sts
☐ Rnd 5: working in back loop of each st only, 1dc in next 8dc, (2dc into next st, 3dc) 3 times. 23 sts
☐ Rnd 6: working in front loops of rnd 4, sl st in next 8dc, 1dc in next 12dc, sl st in first sl st, turn
☐ Next rnd (WS): sl st in each of the next 12dc to finish the upper eyelid, sl st in next sl st of previous rnd
Fasten off, leaving a long tail of yarn A at the end

EARS (MAKE 2):

With 4mm hook and yarn A, make a magic loop
☐ Rnd 1: 1ch, 6dc into loop. 6 sts
☐ Rnd 2: (2dc into next st) 6 times. Close the loop by pulling tightly on the short end of the yarn. 12 sts
☐ Rnd 3: (2dc into next st, 1dc) 6 times. 18 sts
☐ Rnds 4-7: continue increasing 6 sts on each rnd as set. 42 sts
☐ Rnds 8-16: 1dc in each dc
Sl st in the next st and fasten off, leaving a long tail of yarn at the end

NOSE

With 4mm hook and yarn C, make a magic loop
☐ Rnd 1: 1ch, 6dc into loop. 6 sts
☐ Rnd 2: (2dc into next st) 6 times. Close the loop by pulling tightly on the short end of the yarn. 12 sts
☐ Rnd 3: (2dc into next st) 12 times. 24 sts
☐ Rnd 4: (2dc in next st, 1dc) 12 times. 36 sts
☐ Rnd 5: 1dc in each dc
☐ Rnd 6: skip next 6dc, sl st in next 6dc, skip next 6dc, sl st in next 18dc
Fasten off, leaving a long tail of yarn at the end

BODY

Base:
With 4mm hook and yarn A, make 124ch
☐ Row 1 (RS): 1htr in third ch from hook, 1htr in each ch to end, turn. 122 sts
☐ Rows 2-14: 2ch, 1htr in each htr to end, turn
☐ Rows 15-19: sl st in next 4htr, 1dc in next htr, 1htr in each htr to last 5htr, 1dc in next htr, turn, finishing 4 sts before the end of the row. 82 sts
☐ Row 20: 2ch, htr2tog, 1htr in each htr to last 2 sts, htr2tog, turn. 80 sts
☐ Row 21: 2ch, 1htr in each htr to end, turn
☐ Rows 22-27: rep last 2 rows 3 times more. 74 sts
☐ Rows 28-48: 2ch, 1htr in each htr to end, turn
☐ Row 49: 2ch, 2htr into next st, 1htr in each htr to last st, 2htr into next st, turn. 76 sts
☐ Rows 50-52: 2ch, 1htr in each htr to end, turn
☐ Rows 53-60: rep rows 49-52, twice more. 80 sts
☐ Rows 61-68: rep rows 49-50, 4 times. 88 sts
☐ Rows 69-78: rep row 49, 10 times. 108 sts

Shape first back leg:
☐ Row 79 (RS): 2ch, htr2tog, 1htr in next 31htr, htr3tog, turn
Continue on these 33 sts
☐ Row 80 (WS): 2ch, htr3tog, 1htr in each htr to last 2 sts, htr2tog, turn. 30 sts
☐ Row 81: 2ch, htr2tog, 1htr in each htr to last 3 sts, htr3tog, turn. 27 sts

☐ Rows 82-89: rep rows 80-81, 4 times more. 3 sts
☐ Row 90: 2ch, htr3tog. 1 st
Fasten off

Shape second back leg:
With WS facing and 4mm hook, rejoin A with a sl st to first htr
☐ Row 1 (WS): 2ch, starting in same st as sl st, htr2tog, 1htr in next 31htr, htr3tog, turn
Continue on these 33 sts
☐ Rows 2-12: rep rows 80-90 to complete second leg
Fasten off

Tail:
With RS facing and 4mm hook, skip first 12 of 36htr between the legs and join yarn A with a sl st to next htr
☐ Row 1 (RS): 2ch, 1htr in same htr as sl st, 1htr in next 11htr, turn. 12 sts
☐ Row 2: 2ch, htr in each htr to end
☐ Row 3-6: 2ch, htr2tog, 1htr in each htr to last 2 sts, htr2tog. 4 sts
Fasten off

Edging:
With RS facing and 4mm hook, rejoin A with a sl st to the reverse side of the first ch. 1dc in same st as sl st, 1dc in reverse side of next 121ch, 1ch, work 19dc evenly across end of leg, 1ch, work 20dc down front leg, work 100dc evenly down side of body, 1ch, work 19dc evenly across top of leg, 1ch, work 23dc evenly along edge of back leg, 1dc in next 12 sts between leg and tail, work 9dc evenly down edge of tail, 1ch, 1dc in next 4 sts at tip of tail, 1ch, work 9dc evenly up edge of tail, 1dc in next 12 sts between leg and tail, work 23dc evenly along edge of back leg, 1ch, work 19dc evenly across top of leg, 1ch, work 100dc evenly up side of body, work 20dc up front leg, 1ch, work 19dc evenly across end of leg, 1ch, sl st in first st and fasten off

PAWS (MAKE 4)

With 4mm hook and yarn A, make a magic loop
☐ Row 1 (WS): 2ch, 5htr into loop, turn. 5 sts
☐ Row 2 (RS): 2ch, (2htr into next st) 5 times, turn. Close the loop by pulling tight on the short end of the yarn. 10 sts
☐ Row 3: 2ch, (2htr into next st, 1htr) 5 times, turn. 15 sts
☐ Row 4: 2ch, (2htr into next st, 2htr) 5 times, turn. 20 sts
☐ Row 5: 2ch, (2htr into next st, 3htr) 5 times, turn. 25 sts
☐ Row 6: 2ch, (2htr into next st, 4htr) 5 times. 30 sts
1ch, work 19dc evenly along the straight edge of the paw, 1ch, sl st in next htr, turn

Join paw to leg:
Place paw against leg, with RS together. Inserting hook under both loops of each st of paw and leg to join, sl st in 1ch sp, dc in next 19dc, sl st in next 1ch sp. Fasten off

LINING

With 4mm hook and yarn B, work as for Body

Paw linings:
With 4mm hook and yarn B, work as for paws

TO MAKE UP

Joining body & lining:
Place body and lining with WS together. With body facing up and 4mm hook, join yarn A with a sl st to first of the 122dc at top of body and lining at the same time to join. Working in each dc of both body and lining at the same time, 1dc in same st as sl st, 1dc in next 121dc, *(2dc into next st, 5dc) 5 times around paw*, 1dc in next 120dc; rep from * to *, 1dc in next 44dc, 2dc in next 1ch sp, 1dc in next 4dc, 2dc in next 1ch sp, 1dc in next 44dc; rep from * to *, 1dc in next 120dc, rep from * to *, sl st in first st and fasten off
With yarn C, embroider 5 straight sts on each paw for the claws

Head:
Stuff the head to within 5 rows from the neck edge. Align the sts at beginning and end of each row in the centre of the underside of the head. Sew the open edges together to form a straight seam. Use the tail of yarn left after fastening off to sew the head in place, stitching both sides to the body and lining.

Nose & mouth:
Insert a small amount of stuffing inside the nose. Sew the nose in place at the end of the snout, stitching all around the outer edges. Embroider a fly stitch with yarn C for the mouth

Eyes:
Insert a tiny amount of stuffing into the eyeballs. Sew the eyes to the face with the length of yarn left after fastening off, stitching all around the outer edges. Embroider one or two short sts in each eye using yarn A

Ears:
Stuff the ears lightly, keeping a flattened shape. Using the long length of yarn left after fastening off, sew the 21 sts on each side of the lower edge together to form a straight seam on each ear. Stitch the corners of each ear together and sew the ears in place, stitching all around the edges to attach them securely. Weave in all the yarn ends

CROCHETED
ANIMAL
RUGS
Vanessa Mooncie

Extracted from *Crocheted Animal Rugs* by Vanessa Mooncie, £14.99, GMC Publications. Inside you'll find 10 amazing rugs that would make stylish additions to any home, each with detailed patterns and helpful stitch charts.

WHY NOT TRY...

A few of the animal rugs in Vanessa's book are made using the same core shape – see what critters you can crochet by mixing and matching basic patterns

SEWING THE PIECES TOGETHER

When stitching up your work, use glass-headed dressmaker's pins to hold them together. To join the head to the body, insert the needle through one stitch of the head, then through a stitch of the body. Insert the needle into the head, a little further along, then into the body again and draw up the yarn tightly. Repeat on the underside of the head and the lining, to ensure it is securely attached.

TOP TIP! BEFORE STUFFING, TEASE THE POLYESTER FIBRES BY PULLING THEM APART TO MAKE THEM LIGHT AND FLUFFY – THIS WILL PREVENT THE CROCHETED PIECE LOOKING LUMPY

MAKE ME ON DAYS 52-56

STITCH A LACEWORK TEE

Crochet a lightweight top for summer

DESIGNER **DROPS DESIGN**

Intermediate

KIT LIST

- ★ DROPS PARIS Aran cotton yarn in colour 38, Raspberry, 450-500-550-600-650-700g, Garnstudio.com
- ★ Crochet hook, 5mm
- ★ Tape measure
- ★ Scissors ★ Tapestry needle ★ Stitch markers

TENSION SQUARE

- ★ 14sts x 8.5 rows
- ★ 10cm x 10cm
- ★ Treble crochet
- ★ 5mm hook

- ★ 14sts x 5.5 rows
- ★ 10cm x 10cm
- ★ Double treble
- ★ 5mm hook

We say

"This bright and breezy Astoria top (DROPS 175-15) is the perfect style for summer"

BEFORE YOU START

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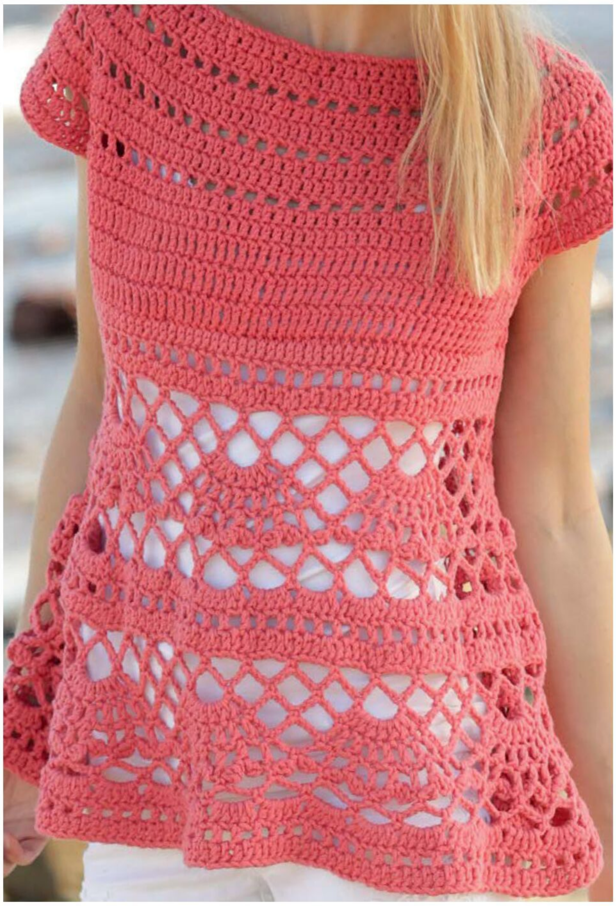


NOTES:

- At beginning of every round with treble crochets replace first treble crochet with 3 chain stitches. Finish round with 1 slip stitch in 3rd chain stitch
- At beginning of every round with double treble crochets replace first double treble crochet with 4 chain stitches. Finish round with 1 slip stitch in 4th chain stitch
- At beginning of every round with triple treble crochets replace first triple treble crochet with 5 chain stitches. Finish round with 1 slip stitch in 5th chain stitch
- See diagrams overleaf A.1 and A.2 (A.1a and A.2a shows how rounds begin and end). Choose diagram for your size

TOP

Work in the round top down

YOKE

Begin with crochet hook 5mm and Paris, work 100-103-109-115-121-124 chain stitches and form a ring with 1 slip stitch in first chain stitch. Insert a marker thread on the beginning of the round = mid back. Work 4 chain stitches (= 1 double treble crochet) – SEE NOTES, work 1 double treble crochet in each of the next 3-0-0-0-0-3 chain stitches, * skip 1 chain stitch, work 1 double treble crochet in each of the next 5 chain stitches *, repeat from *-* 15-16-17-18-19-19 more times = 84-86-91-96-101-104 double treble crochets. Work 1 round with double trebles and increase 24-30-29-32-31-40 double trebles evenly – READ INCREASE TIP (evenly spaced) = 108-116-120-128-132-144 double trebles. REMEMBER THE CROCHET TENSION!

Insert 4 marker threads in piece without working as follows: Insert 1st marker thread after 8-9-10-11-11-13 double trebles. Insert 2nd marker thread after another 38-40-40-42-44-46 double trebles, 3rd marker thread is after another 16-18-20-22-22-26 double trebles and 4th marker thread after another 38-40-40-42-44-46 double treble crochets. There are now 8-9-10-11-11-13 double treble crochets left until mid back

Work A.1b (choose diagram for your size). (A.1a shows how round begins and ends), AT THE SAME TIME increase double treble crochets evenly over the 38-40-40-42-44-46 stitches in each side. Number of stitches between the 2 markers mid front and mid back is constant (= 16-18-20-22-22-26 stitches). Increase in the different sizes as follows:

Size S and M:

Increase 14-17 stitches in each side on 2nd and 5th round in A.1b, then increase 16-18 stitches on 6th-8th

round = 196-220 stitches.
NOTE: See round marked with arrow for when yoke is done in the different sizes

Size L, XL, XXL and XXXL:
Increase 14-16-18-19 stitches in each side on 2nd, 5th and 8th round in A.1b, then increase 16-16-20-21 stitches on 9th-9th-11th-11th round = 236-256-280-300 stitches.
NOTE: See round marked with arrow for when yoke is done in the different sizes

Work next round in all sizes as follows:
NOTE: in sizes S and XL crochet around the chain stitches instead of in the chain stitches. Work 1 double treble crochet in each of the first 27-30-32-35-39-43 stitches, work 4-4-6-6-6-8 chain stitches under sleeve, skip 44-50-54-58-62-64 stitches for sleeve, work 1 double treble in each of the next 54-60-64-70-78-86 stitches, work 4-4-6-6-6-8 chain stitches under sleeve, skip 44-50-54-58-62-64 stitches for sleeve, work 1 double treble in each of the remaining 27-30-32-35-39-43 stitches on round. Piece measures approx. 17-18-20-21-23-25 cm measures from neck edge and down vertically

BODY

= 116-128-140-152-168-188 stitches. NOW MEASURE THE PIECE FROM HERE! Work 1 triple treble crochet in every stitch. When piece measures 5cm, increase 4-12-0-8-12-12 triple treble crochets evenly = 120-140-140-160-180-200 triple treble crochets. Cut the yarn. To fit the pattern symmetrically mid front and mid back on top displace beginning of round as follows: Skip the first 15-5-5-15-5-15 triple treble crochets on round and fasten strand with 1 double crochet in next triple treble crochet. Begin on 2nd round in diagrams and work A.2a (shows how round begins and ends), work A.2b (= 6-7-7-8-9-10 repetitions). On last round in diagram increase trebles. To make

COLOUR TO SUIT YOUR STYLE

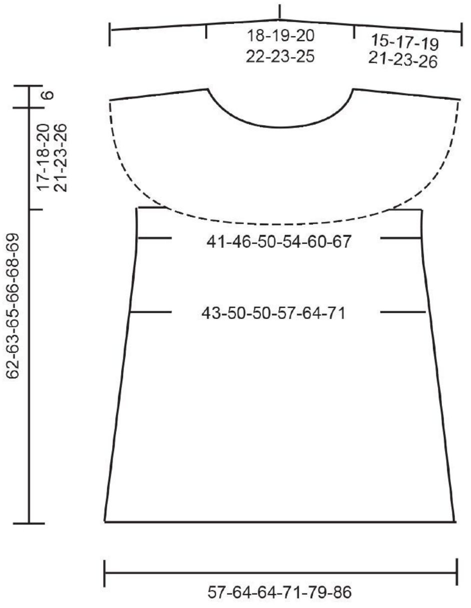
TOP TIPS

INCREASE TIP (evenly spaced): To calculate how to increase evenly, use the number of stitches increases are done over (e.g. 84 stitches) and divide this number by number of increases to be done (e.g. 24) = 3.5. i.e. in this example increase after alternately approx. every 3rd and 4th stitch

DECREASE TIP: Decrease 1 treble crochet by working 2 treble crochets together as follows: * Make 1 yarn over, insert hook in next treble crochet, get yarn, make 1 yarn over, pull yarn through the 2 first loops on hook *, repeat from *-* one more time, make 1 yarn over and pull yarn through all 3 loops on hook (= 1 treble crochet decreased) the pattern symmetrical mid front and mid back increase the same number of trebles in each side. Increase 20 trebles in each side evenly between mid back and fan in pattern mid front on top. Increase 40 trebles in total evenly in all sizes = 160-180-180-200-220-240 trebles. Continue from 2nd round in A.2a and A.2b (= 8-9-9-10-11-12 repetitions on round). When diagrams have been worked vertically, work 2nd and 3rd round 1 more time. Piece measures approx. 62-63-65-66-68-69 cm from neck edge mid back and down Fasten off

Neck edge:
Begin mid back of neck and fasten strand with 1 double crochet. Work 1 double crochet in every chain stitch but work only in the chain stitches worked with treble crochets = 84-86-91-96-101-104 double crochets
Fasten off

Sleeve edge:
Begin mid under sleeve and work 4 chain stitches (= 1 double treble crochet). Work 1 double treble crochet in every stitch and work 3 double treble crochets around the outermost stitch in transition between yoke and body AT THE SAME TIME decrease 13-15-16-14-12-11 double treble crochets evenly on round – READ DECREASE TIP = 41-45-50-56-62-67 double treble crochets
Fasten off



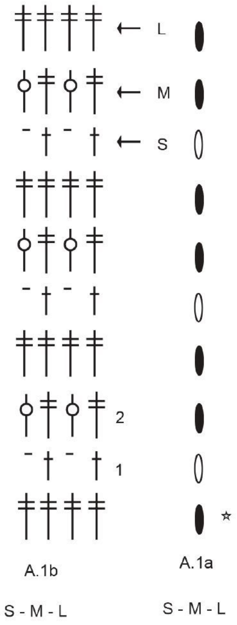
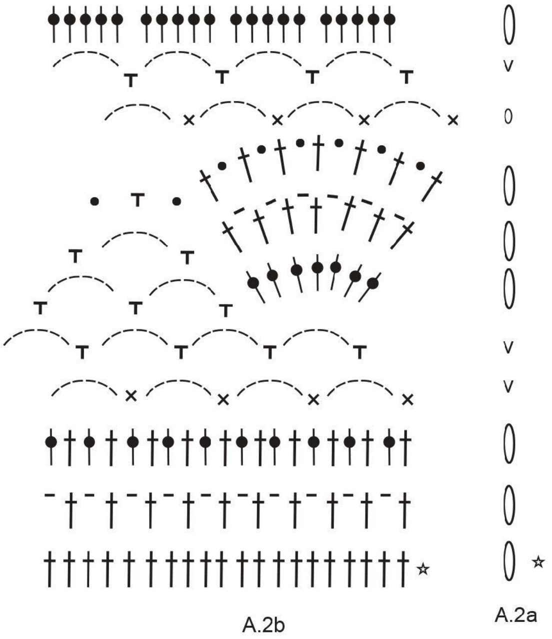
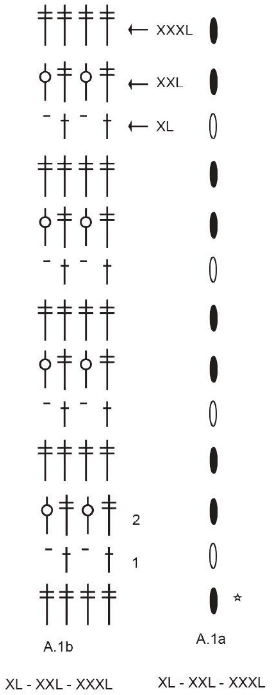


DIAGRAM KEY

- = 1 chain stitch
T = 1 double crochet around chain space
× = 1 double treble crochet in stitch
† = 1 treble crochet in stitch
‡ = 1 double treble crochet in stitch
⍿ = 1 treble crochet around chain stitch
● = 1 picot: 3 chain stitches, 1 treble crochet in first chain stitch
⌒ = 6 chain stitches
⬯ = round begins with 3 chain stitches and finishes with 1 slip stitch in 3rd chain stitch
⬮ = round begins with 4 chain stitches and finishes with 1 slip stitch in 4th chain stitch
V = round begins with 1 chain stitch and finishes with 1 slip stitch in 1st chain stitch, then work slip stitches until first chain space
0 = round begins with 1 chain stitch and finishes with 1 slip stitch in 1st chain stitch
☆ = this round has already been worked, begin on next round
← = on this round increase evenly - see explanation in pattern
⫯ = 1 double treble crochet around chain space





MEASUREMENTS & SIZES

Size:	S - M - L - XL - XXL - XXXL
Actual chest circumference:	82-92-100-108-120-134
Length:	62-63-65-66-68-69

MAKE IT WITH mum

Beginner

KIT LIST

- ★ 3.5mm crochet hook
- ★ Your choice of yarn in various colours
- ★ Tapestry needle
- ★ Tape measure
- ★ Scissors

Size: 22cm diameter

We say

"Practise working chain stitches until you can maintain an even tension, ensuring your stitches are smooth, even and not too tight"

BEFORE YOU START

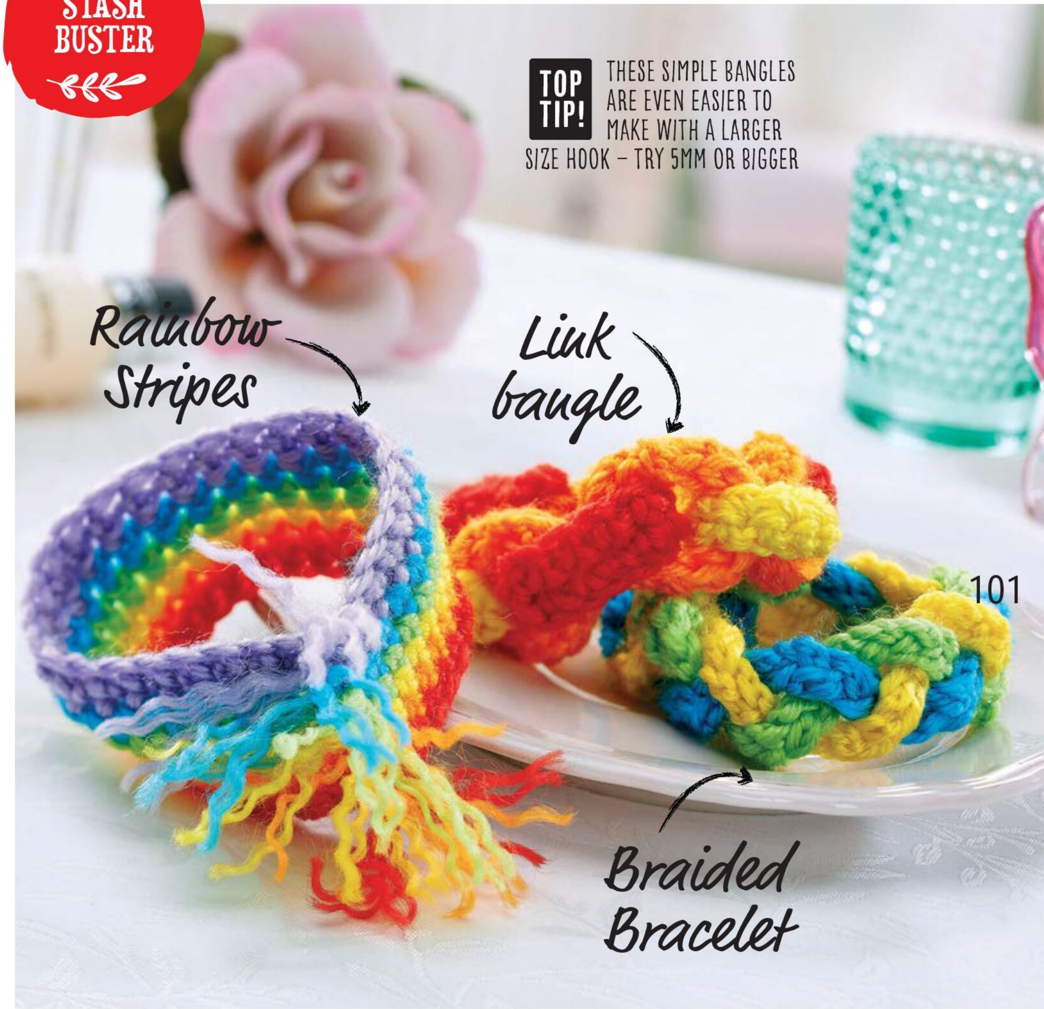
START MAKING SIMPLE CHAINS FOR THE BRAIDED BRACELET, THEN TRY YOUR HAND AT DOUBLE CROCHET WITH THE LINKS BANGLE, BEFORE WORKING IN STRIPES FOR THE RAINBOW-COLOURED DESIGN

DESIGNER **IRENE STRANGE**

Simple Bangle Set

Kids will love creating these bracelets for their chums

STASH BUSTER



TOP TIP! THESE SIMPLE BANGLES ARE EVEN EASIER TO MAKE WITH A LARGER SIZE HOOK – TRY 5MM OR BIGGER

BRAIDED BRACELET

NOTE: Make nine – three each in yellow, blue and green
Using 3.5mm hook and chosen yarn make ch until piece meas 25cm long

TO MAKE UP

Braid each trio of colour to create three thicker strands. Braid these three coloured pieces into one. Tie them tog and sew in ends

LINKS BANGLE

NOTE: Make three in red, three in yellow, four in orange
Using 3.5mm hook and chosen yarn make 11ch

☐ Row 1: starting second ch from hook 1dc in each st to end, turn. Ten sts

☐ Row 2: 1ch, 1dc in each st
Fasten off

TO MAKE UP

Sew ends of strips tog, linking as you sew. Alternate colours as shown in picture. Sew in last orange strip to connect ends tog

RAINBOW STRIPES

Using 3.5mm hook and purple yarn make 31ch
NOTE: work in foll one-row stripe patt: purple, blue, green, yellow, orange, red

☐ Row 1: starting second ch from hook 1dc in each st to end, turn. 30 sts

☐ Rows 2-6: 1dc in each st to end

TO MAKE UP

Tie ends of each colour tog. Trim ends to same length and fray them

The Big Project

Advanced

KIT LIST

★ Bergère de France, Coton Fifty acrylic/ cotton blend yarn: (A) Nougat 5 (5, 6); (B) Gingembre 2 (2, 2); (C) Ficelle 2 (2, 2); (D) Petrolier 1 (1, 1) (for an alternative try Bergère de France 100% Coton Bio organic cotton yarn)

★ Crochet hook, 3mm

★ Stitch markers

TENSION SQUARE

★ 26 sts x 12.5 rows

★ 10cm x 10cm

★ Lace Stitch

★ 3mm hook

We say

"Practise the stitches before you start to make sure you get a perfect finish"

BEFORE YOU START

DON'T SKIP THE TENSION SQUARE WHEN MAKING GARMENTS OR YOUR FINISHED SIZING MAY BE OFF AND YOU MIGHT NOT HAVE ENOUGH YARN TO COMPLETE THE ITEM

MAKE A STYLISH DETAIL JUMPER

Get set for the new season with this elegant on-trend wardrobe update

DESIGNER **BERGÈRE DE FRANCE**

MAKE ME ON DAYS

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IN STITCHES

Inc 2 sts: work 1tr, 1ch st & 1tr

Raglan effect inc: on the marked arch on every row, work 1tr, 1ch st & 1tr (see diagram p142)

htr2tog (half treble crochet 2 tog): 1 yoh, place the hook in 1 st or in the arch, 1 yoh, pull through 1 loop, 1 yoh, place the hook into the next st or next arch, 1 yoh, pull through 1 loop, 1 yoh & pull through the 5 loops on the hook

Lace stitch: worked in the round on a 3 mm hook. Over an even number of sts

NOTE: the first & 2nd rounds are not counted in the tension square

☐ Rnd 1 (RS): 4ch, (replaces the first tr & the first arch of 1ch), 1tr in 3rd ch, 1ch, *skip 1ch, 1tr in next ch, 1ch*, rep from *to*. Close the round with 1 sl st in the 3rd ch at start of round

☐ Rnd 2: 3ch, (replaces the first tr), 1tr in the first arch of 1ch, *1ch, 1tr in the next arch of 1ch*, rep from *to*. Close the round with 1 sl st in the 3rd ch at start of round

☐ Rnd 3: 4ch, (replaces the first tr & the first arch of 1ch), 1tr in the first arch of 1ch, 1ch, *1tr in the next arch of 1ch*, rep from *to*. Close the round with 1 sl st in the 3rd ch at start of rnd.

☐ Rep Rounds 2 & 3

Half treble crochet stitch (Htr): worked in the round on a 3mm hook. After the Lace Stitch

☐ Rnd 1 (RS): 2ch, (replaces the first htr), 1htr in every tr & in every arch of 1ch. Close the round with 1 sl st in the 2nd ch at start of round

☐ Rnd 2 & every foll round: 2ch, (replaces the first htr), 1htr in every htr. Close the round with 1 sl st in the 2nd ch at start of round

Pattern stitch: worked in the round on a 3mm hook. After the Lace Stitch over an even number of sts

☐ Rnd 1 (RS): 2ch, (replaces the first htr), then 1htr in every tr & in every arch of 1ch. Close the round with 1 sl st in the 2nd ch at start of round

☐ Rnd 2: 3ch, (replaces the first htr & first arch of 1ch), *skip 1htr, 1htr in the next htr, 1ch*, rep from *to*. Close the round with 1 sl st in the 2nd ch at start of round

☐ Rnd 3: 2ch, (replaces the first htr), 1htr into every htr & into every arch of 1ch. Close the round with 1 sl st in the 2nd ch at start of round

☐ Rnd 4: 2ch, (replaces the first htr), *1ch, skip 1htr, 1htr in the next htr*, rep from *to*. Close the round with 1 sl st in the 2nd ch at start of round

☐ Rnd 5: 2ch, (replaces the first htr), 1htr into every arch of 1ch. Close the round with 1 sl st in the 2nd ch at start of round

☐ Rnd 6: 3ch, (replaces the first htr & first arch of 1ch), *skip 1htr, 1htr in the next htr, 1ch*, rep from *to*. Close the round with 1 sl st in the 2nd ch at start of round

Circle: worked in the round on a 3mm hook. Make a ring then cont as foll:

☐ Rnd 1 (RS): 1ch, 6dc into the ring. Close the round with 1 sl st into the first dc at the start of round

☐ Rnd 2: 1ch, 2dc into each dc (12dc). Close the round with 1 sl st in the first dc at start of round

☐ Rnd 3: 1ch, 1dc into first dc, 2dc into next dc, *1dc into next dc, 2dc into next dc*, rep from *to* (18dc). Close the round with 1 sl st in the first dc at start of round

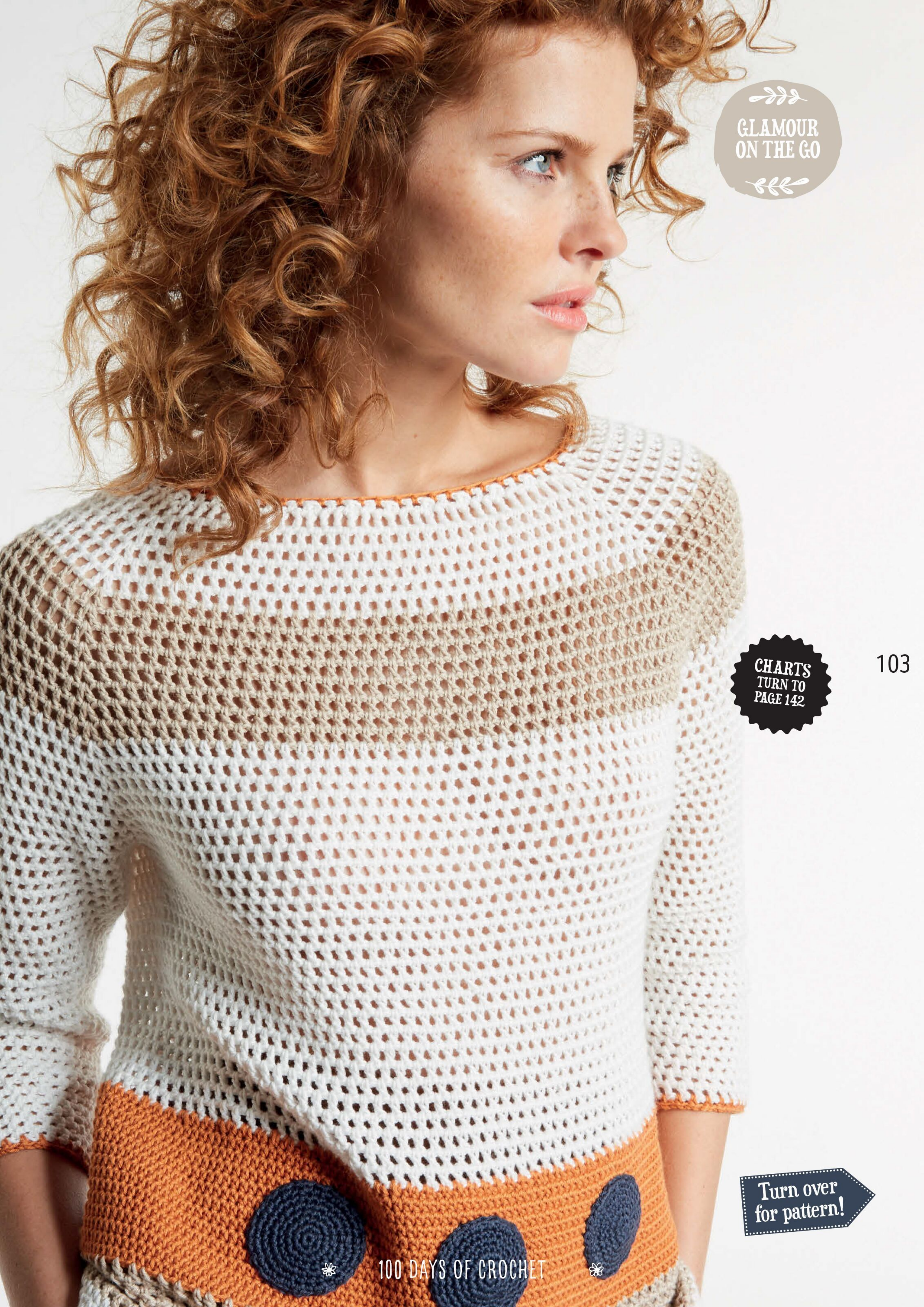
☐ Rnd 4: 1ch, 1dc into each dc (18dc). Close the round with 1 sl st in the first dc at start of round

☐ Rnd 5: 1ch, 1dc into first dc, 2dc into next dc, *1dc into next dc, 2dc into next dc*, rep from *to* (27dc). Close the round with 1 sl st in the first dc at start of round

☐ Rnd 6: 1ch, 1dc into each dc (27dc). Close the round with 1 sl st in the first dc at start of round

☐ Rnd 7: 1ch, 1dc into first dc, *2dc into next dc, 1dc into next dc*, rep from *to* (40dc). Close the round with 1 sl st in the first dc at start of round

Fasten off


GLAMOUR ON THE GO

CHARTS TURN TO PAGE 142

Turn over for pattern!

Start crocheting here:

NOTE: This top is made in one piece starting at the neck. The green arrows on the diagram (see p142) indicate the direction of work

YOKE

☐ Working loosely (or using a larger size hook), make a ch of 138 (154, 162) sts using B. Form a round with 1 sl st into the first ch (middle back)

☐ Work 3ch, (replaces the first htr & the first arch of 1ch), 1htr into the 3rd ch, 1ch, *skip 1ch, 1htr into the next ch, 1ch*, rep from *to*. Close the round with 1 sl st into the 2nd ch at start of round 69 (77, 81) arches of 1ch

☐ Change to yarn A and cont as folls: 3ch, 1tr into the first arch of 1ch, 1ch, * 1tr into the next arch, 1ch*, work from *to* 15 (19, 21) times

☐ Inc 2 sts in the next arch •1ch, 1tr into next arch, 1ch, Inc 2 sts in the next arch•

☐ Work from •to• 18 times

☐*1ch, 1tr into the next arch*, work from *to* 16 (20, 22) times, 1tr in the final arch.

☐ Close the round with 1 sl st into the 3rd ch at start of round 176 (192, 200) sts. 88 (96, 100) arches

☐ Counting from the start of the round, to mark the start of the raglans, slip a st marker into: The 15th (17th, 18th), 28th (31st, 33rd), 59th (65th, 68th) & 72nd (79th, 83rd) arch of 1ch

☐ Cont in Lace Stitch, starting on the 3rd round (see In Stitches panel), making the Raglan effect inc in every marked arch (see p142) on the next round, then on every round 6 (7, 8) times

☐ After the final series of increases, you will have 224 (248, 264) sts. 112 (124, 132) arches of 1ch st

☐ Change to yarn C and cont the Raglan effect inc on every round another 8 times

☐ After the final series of increases you will have 288 (312, 328) sts. 144 (156, 164) arches of 1ch

☐ Change to yarn A and cont the Raglan effect inc on every round another 10 (10, 12) times

☐ After the final series of increases, you'll have 368 (392, 424) sts. 184 (196, 212) arches of 1ch. The Yoke is completed

BASE OF BODY

☐ Using yarn A, cont in Lace Stitch, work as folls: 4(3,4)ch. 1tr into the first arch of 1ch, *1ch, 1tr into the next arch*, work from *to* 26 (29, 30) times, 3 (7, 7)ch

☐ Leave 73 (77, 85) sts unworked for the right sleeve, 1tr into the next arch, *1ch, 1tr into the next arch*, work from *to* 55 (59, 63) times 3(7,7)ch

☐ Leave 73 (77, 85) sts unworked for the left sleeve, 1tr into the next arch, •1tr in to the next arch, 1ch•, work from •to• 28 (29, 32) times then close the round with 1 sl st into the 3rd ch at the start of round

☐ On the 228 (252, 268) sts obtained, cont in Lace st using yarn A for 16 (17, 17) rounds.

☐ Next, work 14 rounds of htr using yarn B, making 34 (40, 40) decreases on the first round [to dec 1 st work htr2tog instead of working 2htr. 194 (212, 228) htr]

☐ Work 8 rounds of Lace st using yarn C, making 34 (40, 40) incs on the first round [do not skip the first st before working into the next st. 228 (252, 268) sts]

☐ Work 6 rounds in Pattern St using yarn A, making 8 dec on the first round [to dec 1 st work htr2tog instead of working 2htr. 222 (244, 260) htr]
Fasten off

RIGHT SLEEVE

☐ Using yarn A work along the 73 (77, 85) unworked sts on the Yoke for the right sleeve and the other side of the 3(7,7)ch on the body section, making tr in the last arch of the half back and 1tr in the first arch of the front. 78 (86, 94) sts. Cont in Lace St

☐ When work measures 24cm (30 rounds) from the start of the sleeve, using yarn B cont as folls: 3ch, *1htr in the next arch, 1ch*, rep from *to*

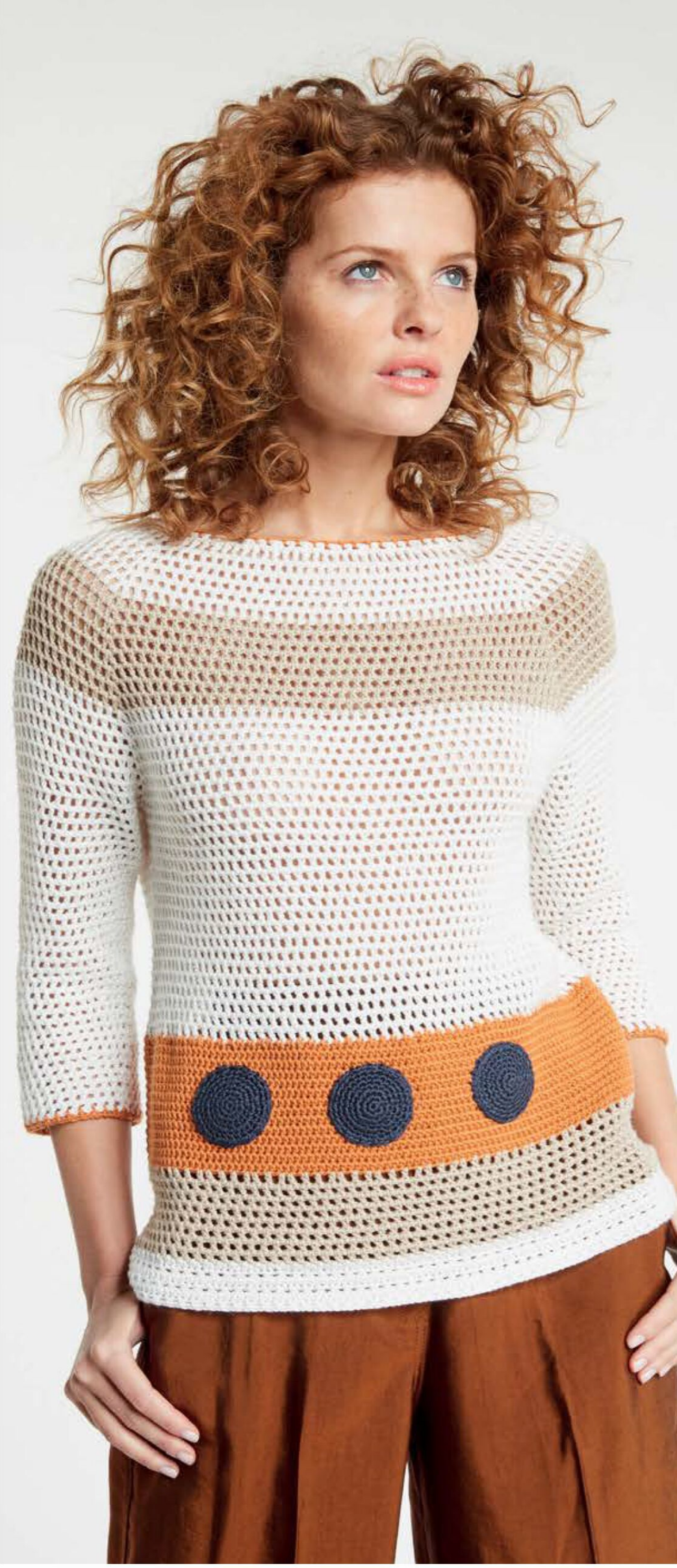
☐ Close the round with 1 sl st in the 3rd ch at the start of the round
Fasten off

LEFT SLEEVE

Work the same as for Right sleeve

FINISHING

Work 3 Circles in yarn D and sew on to the front (see placement on the diagram on p142). Secure and weave in all ends



WHY NOT TRY...

Once you've learned the essential stitches, why not crochet a scarf or tote bag using the lace pattern and circle design?

MEASUREMENTS & SIZES

Sizes: S (M L)
To fit bust (cm):
82-89; 90-97; 98-105
Actual bust size (cm):
88; 96; 104

BONUS PROJECT

YOU CAN MAKE ME INSTEAD

Intermediate

KIT LIST

★ Stylecraft Batik DK yarn, Old Gold 1902, 15(16, 17, 18, 19) 50g balls ★ Crochet hook, 4mm ★ Stitch markers ★ Tapestry needle ★ Scissors ★ Tape measure

TENSION SQUARE

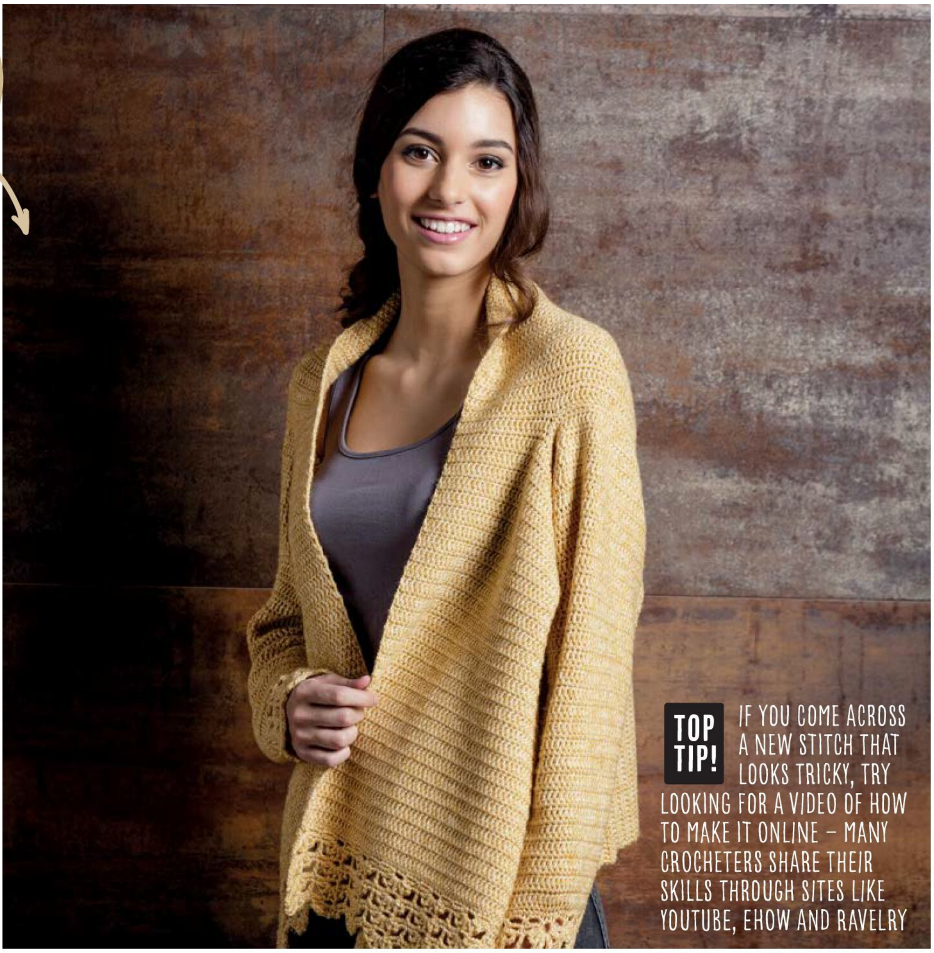
★ 20 sts x 15 rows
★ 10cm x 10cm
★ Over patt
★ 4mm hook

We say "When stitched at the correct tension on a 4mm crochet hook, one edging scallop measures 5cm"

BEFORE YOU START

GO THROUGH THE PATTERN FOR THIS WATERFALL JACKET AND CIRCLE THE SIZE YOU'RE MAKING SO THAT IT'S MUCH EASIER TO FOLLOW AS YOU STITCH

DESIGNER **STYLECRAFT**



TOP TIP! IF YOU COME ACROSS A NEW STITCH THAT LOOKS TRICKY, TRY LOOKING FOR A VIDEO OF HOW TO MAKE IT ONLINE – MANY CROCHETERS SHARE THEIR SKILLS THROUGH SITES LIKE YOUTUBE, EHOW AND RAVELRY

MEASUREMENTS & SIZES

To fit bust (cm):	81-86 (91-97, 102-107, 112-117, 122-127)
Actual measurements(cm):	90 (100, 110, 120, 130)
Full length (cm):	60 (62, 64, 66, 68)
Sleeve length (cm):	45 (46, 47, 48, 49)

BACK & FRONT

NOTE: these are worked in one piece from side to side

Using 4mm hook, make 121(125,129,133,137)ch

☐ Foundation row: 1dc into second ch from hook, 1dc into each ch to end, turn. 120(124,128,132,136)dc

☐ Row 1 (RS): 3ch (counts as first tr), miss st at base of ch, 1tr into each dc to end, turn. 120(124,128,132,136) sts

☐ Row 2: 2ch (counts as first dc), miss st at base of ch, 1dc into each tr to end, turn

Rows 1 and 2 form the patt

☐ Cont in patt until work measures approx 38(43,48,53, 58)cm, ending with a WS row

Shape armhole:

☐ Next row (RS): 3ch (counts as first tr), miss st at base of ch, 1tr into each of next 19(21,23,25,27) sts, make 40(42,44,46,48)ch, miss next 40(42,44,46,48) sts, 1tr into next st and into each of next 59 sts to end, turn

☐ Next row: 2ch (counts as first dc), miss st at base of ch, 1dc into each st to armhole ch, 1dc into each ch, 1dc into each tr to end, turn. 120(124,128,132,136) sts

☐ Cont in patt until work measures approx 45(50,55,60,65)cm from armhole, ending with a WS row

Shape armhole:

☐ Next row (RS): 3ch (counts as first tr), miss st at base of ch, 1tr into each of next 19(21,23,25,27) sts, make 40(42,44,46,48)ch, miss next 40(42,44,46,48) sts, 1tr into next st and into each of next 59 sts to end, turn

☐ Next row: 2ch (counts as first dc), miss st at base of ch, 1dc into each st to armhole ch, 1dc into each ch, 1dc into each tr to end, turn. 120(124,128,132,136) sts

☐ Cont in patt until work measures approx 38(43,48,53,58)cm from armhole, ending with a WS row

Cut yarn and fasten off

SLEEVES (MAKE 2)

Using 4mm hook, make 51(53,55,59,61)ch

☐ Foundation Row: 1dc into second ch from hook, 1dc into each ch to end, turn. 50(52,54,58,60)dc

☐ Row 1 (RS): 3ch (counts as first tr), miss st at base of ch, 1tr into each dc to end, turn. 50(52,54,58,60) sts

☐ Row 2: 2ch (counts as first dc), miss st at base of ch, 1dc into each tr to end, turn

Rows 1 and 2 form the patt

☐ Row 3: 3ch (counts as first tr), 1tr into st at base of ch, 1tr into each dc to last dc, 2tr into last dc, turn. 52(54,56,60,62) sts

☐ Rep the following: Row 2, Row 1, Row 2

☐ Rep the last 4 rows 6(3,2,2, 2) times more then rep Row 3 again. 66(62,62,66,68) sts

☐ Rep: Row 2, Row 1

☐ Next row: 2ch (counts as first dc), 1dc into st at base of ch, 1dc into each st to last st, 2dc into last st. 68(64,64,68,70) sts

☐ Rep: Row 1, Row 2

☐ Next row: 3ch (counts as first tr), 1tr into st at base of ch, 1tr into each dc to last dc, 2tr into last dc, turn. 70(66,66,70,72) sts

☐ Cont in patt, inc 1 st at each end of every foll third row (working RS and WS inc rows as set) to 80(84,88,92,96) sts

☐ Cont in patt without shaping until sleeve measures approx 38(39,40,41,42)cm ending with a WS row

Cut yarn and fasten off

Cuffs (both alike):

With RS of work facing and using 4mm hook, join yarn to foundation ch of Sleeve, 1ch (does not count as a st), work 51(53,55,61,61)dc evenly along edge to end, turn

☐ Row 1 (WS): 1ch (does not count as a st), 1dc into each of next 1(2,3,1,1) sts, *3ch, miss 3 sts, 1dc into next st, 3ch, miss 1 st, 1dc into next st, 3ch, miss 3 sts, 1dc into next st, rep from * to last 0(1,2,0,0) sts, 1dc into each of next 0(1,2,0,0) sts to end, turn

☐ Row 2: 1ch (does not count as a st), 1dc into each of first 1(2,3,1,1) sts, *1ch, miss 3 ch sp, tr2tog into next 3 ch sp, (3ch, tr2tog) 4 times into same 3 ch sp, 1ch, miss next 3 ch sp, 1dc into next dc, rep from * to last 0(1,2,0,0) sts, 1dc into each of next 0(1,2,0,0) sts to end, turn. 5(5,5,6,6) scallops

☐ Row 3: 4ch (counts as 1dtr), 1dtr into each of next 0(1,2,0,0) sts, *3ch, miss next 3ch arch, 1dc into next 3ch arch, 3ch, 1dc into next 3ch arch, 3ch, 1dtr into next dc, rep from * to last 0(1,2,0,0) sts, 1dtr into each of next 0(1,2,0,0) sts to end, turn

☐ Row 4: 1ch (does not count as a st), 1dc into each of first 1(2,3,1,1)dtr, *1ch, miss 3 ch sp, tr2tog into next 3 ch sp, (3ch, tr2tog) 4 times into same 3 ch sp, 1ch, miss next 3 ch sp, 1dc into next dtr, rep from * to last 0(1,2,0,0) sts, 1dc into each of next 0(1,2,0,0) sts to end, turn

☐ Rep rows 3 and 4 once more. 3 rows of scallops

Cut yarn and fasten off

Front borders (both alike):

With RS of work facing and using 4mm hook, join yarn to foundation ch (or last row) at corner of Front, 1ch (does not count as a st), work 121(125,131,133,141)dc evenly along edge to end

☐ Row 1 (WS): 1ch (does not count as a st), 1dc into each of next 1(3,1,2,1) sts, *3ch, miss 3 sts, 1dc into next st, 3ch, miss 1 st, 1dc into next st, 3ch, miss 3 sts, 1dc into next st, rep from * to last 0(2,0,1,0) sts, 1dc into each of next 0(2,0,1,0) sts to end

☐ Row 2: 1ch (does not count as a st), 1dc into each of first 1(3,1,2,1) sts, *1ch, miss 3 ch sp, tr2tog into next 3 ch sp, (3ch, tr2tog) 4 times into same 3 ch sp, 1ch, miss next 3 ch sp, 1dc into next dc, rep from * to last 0(2,0,1,0) sts, 1dc into each of next 0(2,0,1,0) sts to end. 12(12,13,13,14) scallops

☐ Row 3: 4ch (counts as 1dtr), 1dtr into each of next 0(2,0,1,0) sts, *3ch, miss next 3ch arch, 1dc into next 3ch arch, 3ch, 1dc into next 3ch arch, 3ch, 1dtr into next dc, rep from * to last 0(2,0,1,0) sts, 1dtr into each of next 0(2,0,1,0) sts to end

☐ Row 4: 1ch (does not count as a st), 1dc into each of first 1(3,1,2,1)dtr, *1ch, miss 3 ch sp, tr2tog into next 3 ch sp, (3ch, tr2tog) 4 times into same 3 ch sp, 1ch, miss next 3 ch sp, 1dc into next dtr, rep from * to last 0(2,0,1,0) sts, 1dc into each of next 0(2,0,1,0) sts to end

☐ Rep rows 3 and 4 twice more. 4 rows of scallops

Cut yarn and fasten off

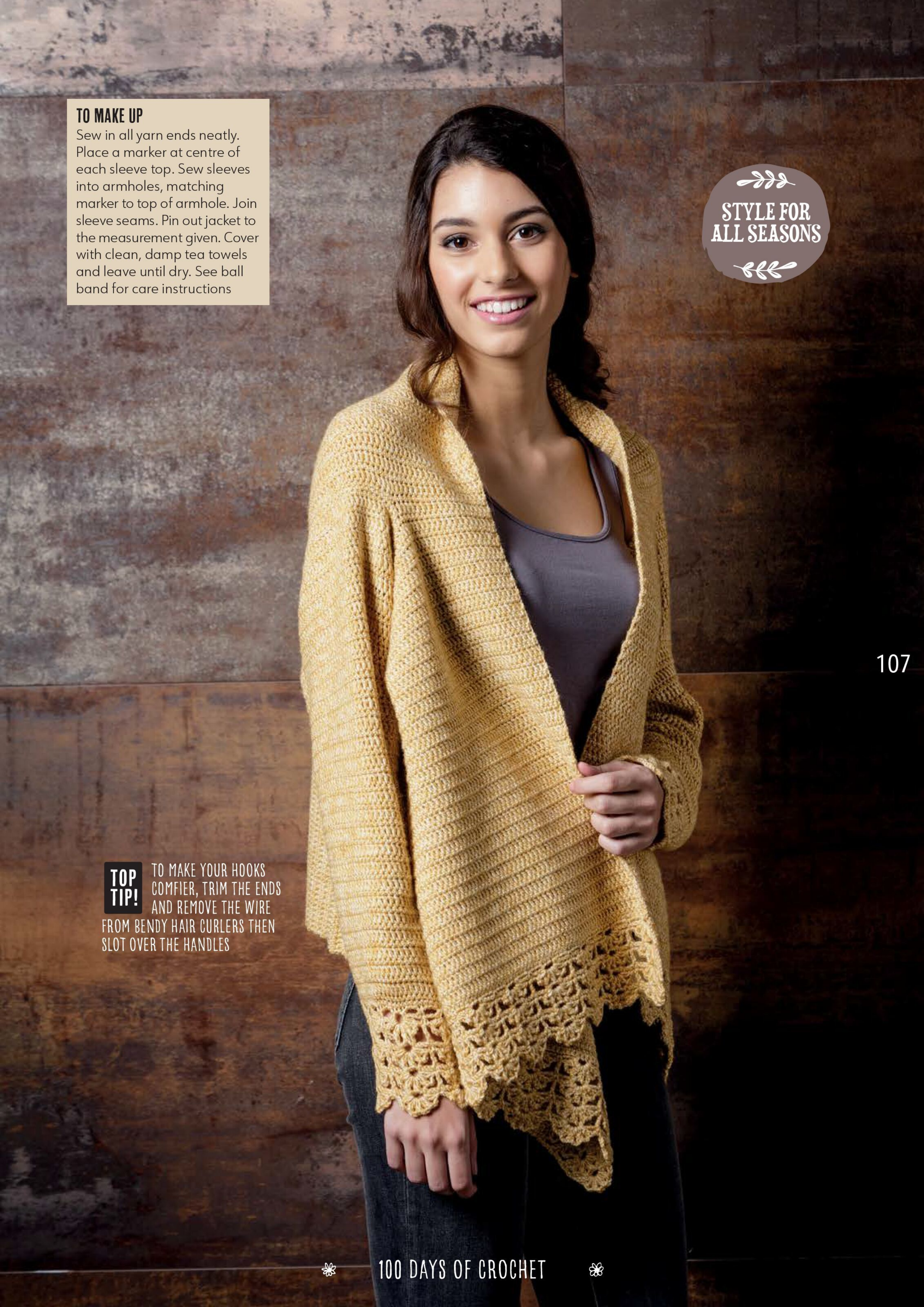
Learn & Craft

Testing Tension:

Many projects, especially garments, include a test square to check your tension is correct. It's essential to work to the right tension to ensure the garment is the correct size. To make a tension square, start by selecting the correct yarn and hook size as stated in the pattern. Tension is usually worked out over 10cm (4in) so begin by crocheting a 13cm (5in) square using the pattern. Once complete, fasten off and lay the panel on a flat surface. Use pins to mark out 10cm (4in) in both directions and count the number of rows then stitches you have crocheted within it. If this matches the pattern, get hooking and have fun! When there are too many stitches and rows, choose a larger hook and make another test swatch; on finding too few, select a smaller size

TO MAKE UP

Sew in all yarn ends neatly. Place a marker at centre of each sleeve top. Sew sleeves into armholes, matching marker to top of armhole. Join sleeve seams. Pin out jacket to the measurement given. Cover with clean, damp tea towels and leave until dry. See ball band for care instructions



STYLE FOR ALL SEASONS

TOP TIP! TO MAKE YOUR HOOKS COMFIER, TRIM THE ENDS AND REMOVE THE WIRE FROM BENDY HAIR CURLERS THEN SLOT OVER THE HANDLES

The Big Project

Beginner

KIT LIST

- ★ Bernat® Softee® Chunky™ acrylic yarn (400g/394m)
- ★ Crochet hooks, 6mm, 9mm ★ Tape measure
- ★ 5cm quilt wadding
- ★ Yarn needle
- ★ Button, 5cm ★ Scissors

TENSION SQUARE

- ★ 6 sts x 3½ rows
- ★ 10cm x 10cm
- ★ tr with 2 strands held tog
- ★ 9mm hook

We say

"Edging is worked separately on a chain and crocheted together with the body of the bed"

BEFORE YOU START

THIS CHUNKY YARN CROCHETS UP QUICKLY AND COMES IN OMBRE VERSIONS IF YOU WANT A MORE VARIEGATED COLOUR

CRAFT A COSY PET BED

MAKE ME ON DAYS 80-84

Pamper your furry friend with a super-plush basket

DESIGNER **YARNSPIRATIONS DESIGN STUDIO**

TREAT YOUR PET

TOP TIP! THERE'S A HANDY TUTORIAL TO HELP MAKE THIS BED AT YARNSPIRATIONS.COM/VIDEO-Y-CROCHET-A-PET-BED.HTML

NOTE: Base and Edging are worked holding 2 strands of yarn tog throughout

NOTE: Ch 3 at beg of rnd counts as tr

BASE (MAKE 2)

With 2 strands of yarn held tog and larger hook, ch 4. Join with sl st to first ch to form ring

☐ Rnd 1: Ch 3. 11 tr in ring. Join with sl st to top of ch 3. 12 tr

☐ Rnd 2: Ch 3. 1 tr in same sp as last sl st. 2 tr in each tr around. Join with sl st to top of ch 3. 24 tr

☐ Rnd 3: Ch 3. 1 tr in same sp as last sl st. 1 tr in next tr. *2 tr in next tr. 1 tr in next tr. Rep from * around. Join with sl st to top of ch 3. 36 tr

☐ Rnd 4: Ch 3. 1 tr in same sp as last sl st. 1 tr in each of next 2 tr. *2 tr in next tr. 1 tr in each of next 2 tr. Rep from * around. Join with sl st to top of ch 3. 48 tr

☐ Rnd 5: Ch 3. 1 tr in same sp as last sl st. 1 tr in each of next 3 tr. *2 tr in next tr. 1 tr in each of next 3 tr. Rep from * around. Join with sl st to top of ch 3. 60 tr

☐ Rnd 6: Ch 3. 1 tr in same sp as last sl st. 1 tr in each of next 4 tr. *2 tr in next tr. 1 tr in each of next 4 tr. Rep from * around. Join with sl st to top of ch 3. 72 tr

Sizes M, L and XL only:

☐ Rnd 7: Ch 3. 1 tr in same sp as last sl st. 1 tr in each of next 5 tr. *2 tr in next tr. 1 tr in each of next 5 tr. Rep from * around. Join with sl st to top of ch 3. 84 tr

☐ Rnd 8: Ch 3. 1 tr in same sp as last sl st. 1 tr in each of next 6 tr. *2 tr in next tr. 1 tr in each of next 6 tr. Rep from * around. Join with sl st to top of ch 3. 96 tr

☐ Rnd 9: Ch 3. 1 tr in same sp as last sl st. 1 tr in each of next 7 tr. *2 tr in next tr. 1 tr in each of next 7 tr. Rep from * around. Join with sl st to top of ch 3. 108 tr

Sizes L and XL only:

☐ Rnd 10: Ch 3. 1 tr in same sp as last sl st. 1 tr in each of next 8 tr. *2 tr in next tr. 1 tr in each of next 8 tr. Rep from * around. Join with sl st to top of ch 3. 120 tr

☐ Rnd 11: Ch 3. 1 tr in same sp as last sl st. 1 tr in each of next 9 tr. *2 tr in next tr. 1 tr in each of next 9 tr. Rep from * around. Join with sl st to top of ch 3. 132 tr

☐ Rnd 12: Ch 3. 1 tr in same sp as last sl st. 1 tr in each of next 10 tr. *2 tr in next tr. 1 tr in each of next 10 tr. Rep from * around. Join with sl st to top of ch 3. 144 tr

Size XL only:

☐ Rnd 13: Ch 3. 1 tr in same sp as last sl st. 1 tr in each of next 11 tr. *2 tr in next tr. 1 tr in each of next 11 tr. Rep from * around. Join with sl st to top of ch 3. 156 tr

☐ Rnd 14: Ch 3. 2 tr in same sp as last sl st. 1 tr in each of next 12 tr. *2 tr in next tr. 1 tr in each of next 12 tr. Rep from * around. Join with sl st to top of ch 3. 168 tr
Fasten off

EDGING

With 2 strands of yarn held tog and larger hook, ch 72 (102, 170, 200)
☐ 1st row: 1 tr in 4th ch from hook (counts as 2 tr). 1 tr in each ch to end of chain. Turn. 70 (100, 168, 198) tr
☐ 2nd row: Ch 2 (counts as htr). *Trfp around next tr. Trbp around next tr. Rep from * to last tr. 1 htr in last tr. Turn
☐ 3rd row: Ch 2 (counts as htr). * Trfp around next st. Trbp around next st. Rep from * to last htr. 1 htr in last htr. Turn. Rep last row until Edging measures approx 12.5 (12.5, 15, 18) cm. Do not fasten off. Join sides tog, working 1 row of dc through both thicknesses
Fasten off

TO MAKE UP

Cut quilt wadding to match outer measurement of Base. With WS of Base pieces tog and larger hook, join 2 strands of yarn held tog in any tr. Ch 1. Working through both thicknesses, work 1 dc in each tr around, stopping just past halfway point to place quilt wadding inside Base. Join with sl st to first dc. Fasten off. Position Edging around outside edge of Base, stretching just slightly to fit. With larger hook, join 2 strands of yarn held tog with sl st to any dc around Base. Ch 1. Join Edging to Base, working 1 rnd of dc through both thicknesses. Join with sl st to first dc
Fasten off

BUTTON COVER

With 1 strand of yarn and smaller hook, ch 2
☐ Rnd 1: 8 dc in 2nd ch from hook. Join with sl st to first dc
☐ Rnd 2: Ch 1. 2 dc in each dc around. Join with sl st to first dc. 16 dc
☐ Rnd 3: Ch 1. 2 dc in first dc. 1 dc in next dc. *2 dc in next dc. 1 dc in next dc. Rep from * around. Join with sl st to first dc. 24 dc
☐ Rnd 4: Ch 1. 1 dc in each dc around. Join with sl st to first dc
☐ Rnd 5: Ch 1. *Dc2tog. 1 dc in next dc. Rep from * around. Join with sl st to first st. 16 sts. Insert button
☐ Rnd 6: Ch 1. (Dc2tog) 8 times. Join with sl st to first st. 8 sts
Fasten off leaving a long end. Attach Button to centre of Base, making sure to secure tightly through all thicknesses to bottom of Base

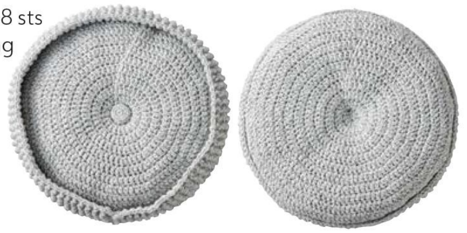
IN STITCHES

Htr: Half double crochet
Dc2tog: Draw up a loop in each of next 2 stitches. Yoh and draw through all 3 loops on hook
Trfp: Yoh and draw up a loop around post of next stitch at front of work, inserting hook from right to left. (Yoh and draw through 2 loops on hook) twice.
Trbp: Yoh and draw up a loop around post of next stitch at back of work, inserting hook from right to left. (Yoh and draw through 2 loops on hook) twice

TOP TIP! LEAVE LONG TAILS WHEN YOU MAKE THE BUTTON COVER AS IT IS USED TO THREAD DOWN BETWEEN THE TOP AND BOTTOM BASES THROUGH THE WADDING

MEASUREMENTS & SIZES

Sizes:	S (M, L, XL) approx 45.5 (56, 86.5, 101.5)cm diameter
Small:	Tea cup, toy dog, small to medium cat, Chihuahua
Medium:	Adult cat, Pug, Beagle, Cocker Spaniel
Large:	Boxer, Bull Dog, Bull Terrier, Basset Hound, Corgi
X-Large:	Doberman, Grey Hound, German Shepherd, Collie



BONUS PROJECT

YOU CAN MAKE ME INSTEAD

Advanced

KIT LIST

★ Rico Super Big Aran acrylic/wool yarn: (A) Stone Grey 007, (B) Ivory 001, one 400g ball of each ★ Crochet hooks: 5.5mm, 6mm★ Inner pouffe, 20cm tall x 50cm diameter ★ Tapestry needle ★ Scissors ★ Tape measure

Pouffe: 20cm tall x 54cm diameter

WATCH STEP-BY-STEP CRAFT TUTORIALS AT youtube.com/thecraftschannel

We say

"Make the pouffe in two parts, then join with double crochet"

BEFORE YOU START

THE INCREASES ARE INDICATED IN PINK ON THE CHARTS; REPEAT THESE FOR EACH ROUND

DESIGNER **NATASJA VREESWIJK**

VINTAGE FAIR ISLE

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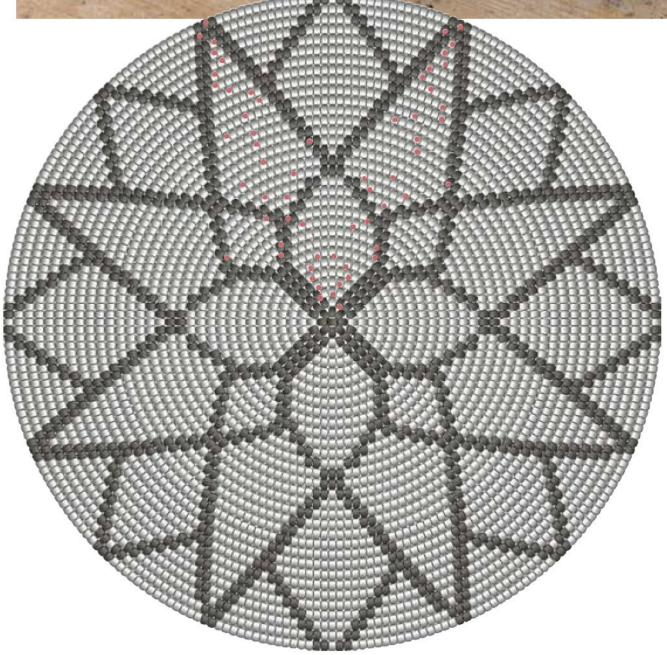


TOP

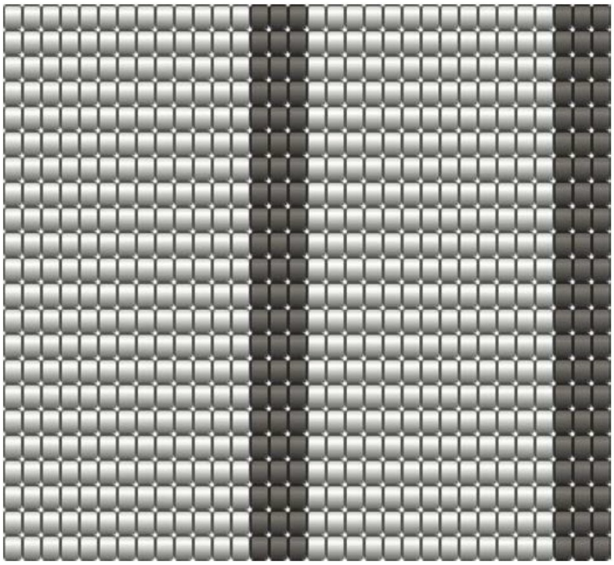
NOTE: increase each round by 8 sts, to a total of 256 sts around the perimeter of the top

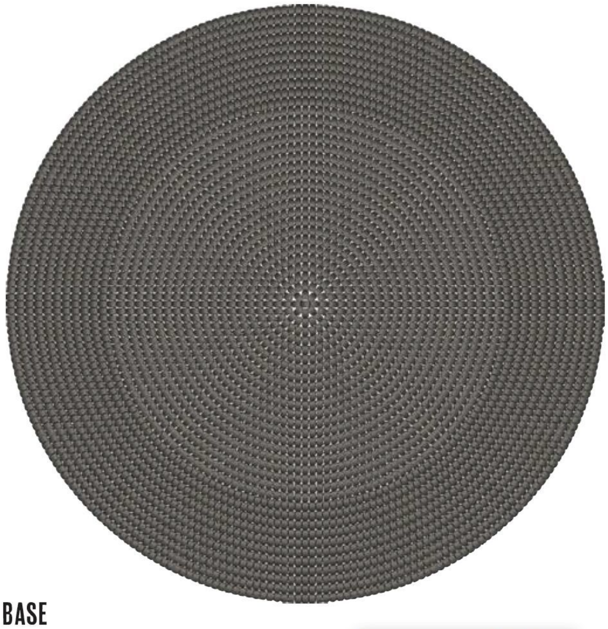
☐ Using 5.5mm hook and yarn A, make an adjustable ring and work 8dc

☐ Add yarn B and continue to crochet in Fair Isle sts, according to the chart. Always crochet using one carried strand of yarn

☐ After 12 rnds, your work will be approximately 10cm in diameter. If not, adjust the size of the crochet hook

☐ Once finished, the top side should have a diameter of about 55cm





SIDE

☐ Continue crocheting along the side according to chart. Repeat this pattern of 32 sts eight times across the 256 sts. There are no more increases

☐ Work yarn A into the first st of one of the star tips on the top side. The grey stripes end up in a straight line downwards

☐ Add yarn B and continue to crochet using Fair Isle technique in a spiral. Crochet 22 rounds, following chart. Check the cover fits and work a few extra rounds if necessary Fasten off

BASE

☐ Crochet base using two strands of yarn A. Take the large ball and create a second ball of about 50g. Use this ball as carried yarn

☐ Crochet base in yarn A in the same way as the top until you have created a diameter of about 55cm

TO MAKE UP

☐ Crochet along the transition from the top to the side using yarn A doubled and a 6mm hook, working 256 lobster stitches

☐ Fasten off and weave in the yarn ends

☐ Pull the cover neatly over the inner pouffe. Attach the base to the side by working 256dc

VINTAGE FAIR ISLE

WHY NOT TRY...

You can create your own design to decorate the top of the pouffe with, by recreating the base chart on a computer or by hand, and colouring the sts

FAIR ISLE CROCHET WORKSHOP
15 modern projects for the home
Natasja Vreeswijk
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Taken from *Fair Isle Crochet Workshop* by Natasja Vreeswijk, £9.99, Search Press. Inside you'll find 15 modern projects, from bags and blankets to toys and wall hangings, alongside stitch charts and step by step guides. searchpress.com

IN STITCHES

Fair Isle stitch: insert the hook into the back loop of the st from the previous row. Yoh. You now have two loops on your hook. Yoh and pull through both loops to finish the st

Fair Isle colour changes: in Fair Isle, you work with one colour and allow the other yarn(s) to run alongside. Do this by inserting your hook into the back loop, underneath the carried yarn, then yoh with the current yarn and pull it through in front of the carried yarn. You now have two loops on your hook again. Yoh with the new colour. Pull it through both loops. You can now continue with the new colour, following the chart

Lobster stitch: also known as crab stitch, it's actually a reverse dc; you work a dc, but work it backwards. Turn your crochet hook and insert it into the last st you crocheted (to the right). Yoh and pull it back through the st. You now have two loops on your hook. Yoh again and pull it back through the st

MAKE A HOODED BLANKET

Little ones will love playing pretend and getting cosy with this fairytale cloak

DESIGNER **LYNNE ROWE**

MAKE ME ON DAYS
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Intermediate

KIT LIST

★ Rowan Pure Wool Superwash Worsted aran yarn, (A) Cardinal 136, 6 (8) 100g balls ★ Rowan Baby Merino Silk DK wool/silk blend yarn: (B) Candy 695, (C) Leaf 692, (D) Goldilocks 691, (E) Cloud 693, Snowdrop (670), one 50g ball of each ★ Crochet hook, 4.5mm ★ Spray starch ★ Yarn needle ★ Stitch markers

TENSION SQUARE

★ 6 blocks x 6 rows
★ C2C stitch
★ 10cm x 10cm
★ 4.5mm hook

We say

"This rectangular-shaped corner to corner (C2C) blanket has the hood crocheted separately"

BEFORE YOU START

SPRAY STARCH WILL STIFFEN FABRIC AND HELP TO PREVENT THE EDGES CURLING

MEASUREMENTS & SIZES

To fit: approx ages 2-4 (5-7)
To fit: 90cm-95cm (100cm-105cm) tall
Blanket: 65cm x 105cm (75cm x 121.5cm) inc. border
Hood: 34cm (43cm) across at widest point when flat exc. border

MAIN BLANKET

Increasing rows:
Using 4.5mm hook and yarn A, make a slip knot

☐ Row 1 (RS): 6ch, tr in fourth ch from the hook, tr in each of the next 2ch, turn (one block made)

☐ Row 2: 6ch, tr in fourth ch from the hook, tr in each of the next 2ch (one block made), miss the next 3tr of the next block, sl st into the space before the 3ch at end of same block, (3ch, 3tr) in the 3 ch sp (one block made), turn. Two blocks in total

☐ Row 3: 6ch, tr in fourth ch from the hook, tr in each of the next 2ch (one block made), *miss the next 3tr of the next block, sl st into the space before the 3ch at end of same block, (3ch, 3tr) in the 3 ch sp (one block made); rep from * to the end, turn. Three blocks in total

Row 3 sets the C2C pattern which increases one C2C block at the beginning of each row. Continue to rep row 3, thus increasing by one C2C block on each row, until you have 36 (42) blocks, or until straight sides measure 60cm (70cm)

Straight rows:
Note: these continue from the increasing rows

☐ Row 1: 6ch, tr into fourth ch from the hook, tr into each of the next 2ch (one block made), *miss the next 3tr and sl st into the space before the 3ch at end of the next block, (3ch, 3tr) into the same space (to complete the second block); rep from * until one block remains, sl st into the space before the 3ch at the end of the last block, turn (without working another block into this space)

☐ Row 2: sl st into each of the next 3tr, sl st into the space before the 3ch at the end of the block, *(3ch, 3tr) into the same space (one block made), sl st into the space before the 3ch at the end of the next block to the left; rep from * to the end (making sure that you work a C2C block into the last space), turn

Repeat the last two rows until you have worked 24 (28) rows of the straight section or until width measures 100cm (116.5cm) at the widest point

Decreasing rows:

☐ Next row: sl st into each of the next 3tr, *sl st into the space before the next 3ch at the end of the block, work (3ch, 3tr) into the same space (one block made); rep from * until one block remains, sl st into the space before the 3ch at end of last block, turn (without creating a block in the last space)

Repeat the last row until you have decreased to just one block, but do not fasten off – you will continue to create a foundation edge around the whole blanket

Foundation edge:
NOTE: this creates a rnd of base sts that will neaten the edges of your blanket

☐ Rnd 1 (RS): 1ch (does not count as a st), (dc, 2ch, dc) in the same st at corner, 2ch, *dc in the space between the next two C2C blocks, 2ch; rep from * to the next corner**, (dc, 2ch, dc) in the corner st, 2ch***; rep from * to *** twice more, then rep from * to ** once, sl st into the first dc

Fasten off

HOOD

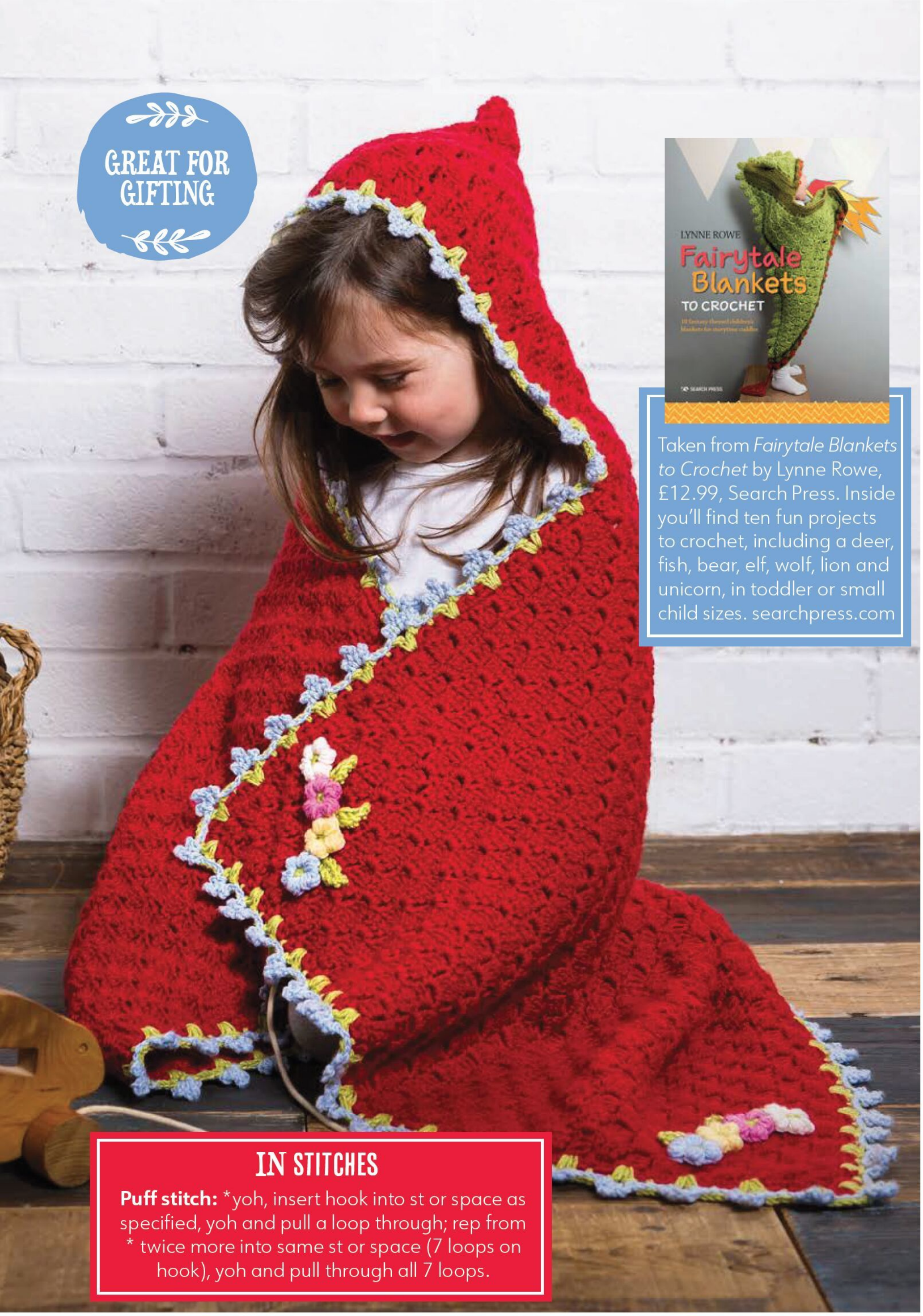
Repeat the Main Blanket pattern, working the increasing rows until you have 12 (13), the straight section until 20 (24) rows, then decrease to one block and fasten off

Place the short sides of the hood together and fold the hood in half lengthways, lining up the C2C blocks. Sew one folded long side seam by using either whip stitch, or by using the crochet hook and working through both thicknesses as follows: join yarn A with a sl st to one end of the seam, 1ch (does not count as a st), dc in the same st, *2ch, miss the next block, dc in the space between the C2C blocks; rep from * to end of the seam

Fasten off

With RS facing, join yarn A to any corner and work a foundation edge as given above for the Main Blanket. Work around the full edge of the hood, including around the hood edge and along the straight neck edge

Place the blanket flat with the WS uppermost and line up the centre seam of hood with the centre of one long edge of the



Taken from *Fairytale Blankets to Crochet* by Lynne Rowe, £12.99, Search Press. Inside you'll find ten fun projects to crochet, including a deer, fish, bear, elf, wolf, lion and unicorn, in toddler or small child sizes. searchpress.com

IN STITCHES

Puff stitch: *yoh, insert hook into st or space as specified, yoh and pull a loop through; rep from * twice more into same st or space (7 loops on hook), yoh and pull through all 7 loops.

blanket. Hold in place with a pin or removable st marker. Pin remainder of hood evenly in place then join using sl st, by working through sts of hood and blanket together to join

Fasten off

FLOWER BORDER

NOTE: this is worked all around the blanket and hood edge

Using 4.5mm hook, join yarn A with a sl st to any corner st of the blanket

☐ Rnd 1: 1ch (does not count as a st), 3dc in the same corner st, *2dc in next 2 ch sp, dc in the next dc, dc in the next 2 ch sp, dc in the next dc; rep from * to the next corner (ending after first 'dc in the next dc'), 3dc in the corner; rep from * all around the blanket and hood edges, sl st into the first dc

Fasten off

☐ Rnd 2: with the RS of blanket facing (the hood seam will be on reverse), join yarn C with a sl st to any corner st, 1ch (does not count as a st), dc in the same st, *2ch, (2dtr, 3ch, 2dtr) in the 2 ch sp, from the foundation edge (working over the dc sts from rnd 1), 2ch, miss the next st, dc in the next st; rep from * all around the blanket edge, omitting the last dc, sl st into the first dc

Fasten off

NOTE: the yarn C 'Leaves' are placed in line with every alternate C2C block

☐ Rnd 3: with the RS of blanket facing, join yarn E with a sl st to any 3 ch sp between 2dtr, *(3ch, sl st, 6ch, sl st, 3ch, sl st) into the same 3 ch sp (one flower made), 1ch, sl st around the post of the next dc (insert hook underneath the post instead of into the st itself), 1ch, sl st into the next 3 ch sp; rep from * all around, sl st into the first sl st

Fasten off

FLOWERS (MAKE 16)

NOTE: make four in yarn B, four in yarn D, four in yarn E and four in yarn F

Using 4.5mm hook and yarn C for each centre, make a magic loop

☐ Rnd 1: 6dc into the loop, sl st into first dc, fasten off. 6 sts

Join one of the four main colours with a sl st to any st

☐ Rnd 2: *puff st in the same st, sl st into the next st; rep from * a further five times. Six petals made

Fasten off

LEAVES (MAKE 12)

Using 4.5mm hook and yarn C, make 7ch

☐ Row 1: dc in second ch from the hook, htr in the next ch, tr in each of the next 2ch, htr in the next ch, dc in the next ch

Fasten off

TO MAKE UP

Pin Leaves flat WS uppermost and spray with water and spray starch. Leave to dry completely. Sew four strips of four flowers tog in the foll order: yarn E, D, B, F. Sew three Leaves to each strip, between the Flowers. Slightly bend each strip and pin on each corner of blanket, to RS. Place the blanket flat and block the border, pinning each Flower flat. Leave to dry completely before removing pins

MAKE ME ON DAY 62

CHALLENGE YOURSELF:
UP YOUR COMFORT

Enjoy your favourite craft for longer with our ergonomic crochet tips

- Check your posture. Shop around for a comfy chair where you can easily keep your back straight and elbows down, avoiding the temptation to scrunch up your body and correcting yourself if you do so.
- Correct your hand position. Avoid tension by ensuring that your grip is loose, so that you don't grasp your hook too tightly and potentially cause strain.
- Invest in the right tools. If you don't get on with one type of hook, there are plenty out there to try instead, from aluminium and steel to bamboo and plastic. Versions with rubber grips can be comfier to use, or opt for ergonomic hooks, which are specially designed to eliminate the risk of cramp. You may find therapeutic gloves useful to help avoid wrist ache too.
- Take regular breaks. Ensure you are hydrated as you crochet because crafty folk have a tendency to carry on into the early hours – so go stretch your legs and make a cuppa every now and then!
- Concentrating on small areas of stitching can take its toll on your sight, so ensure your working area is well lit. Invest in a dedicated craft light – with posable, magnifying or daylight options – to reduce eye strain. You can even buy crochet hooks with built-in lights or an LED board to work on.
- Try to have at least two projects using differing weights of yarn on the go at the same time to vary the repetitive motions and therefore help ease any RSI related aches and pains.

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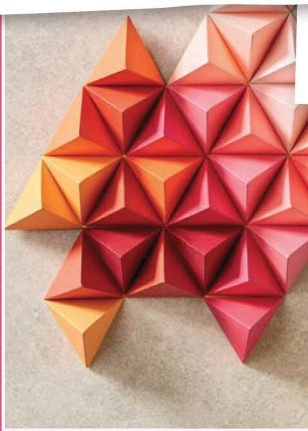

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MAKE IT WITH MUM

Beginner

KIT LIST

★ DK yarn: Fiery Red, Bright Orange, Golden Yellow, Rich Turquoise, Zesty Lime, Party Pink, Classic Cream ★ Crochet hook, 4mm ★ Wooden embroidery hoops: 10cm, three; 20cm, two ★ Pom-pom makers: 3cm, 4cm, 5cm, or use cardboard discs ★ Tapestry needle ★ Small scissors ★ Tape measure

Width: 35cm

We say

"Ensure the tightening screws are all facing the same way for neatness, using two of them for hanging"

BEFORE YOU START

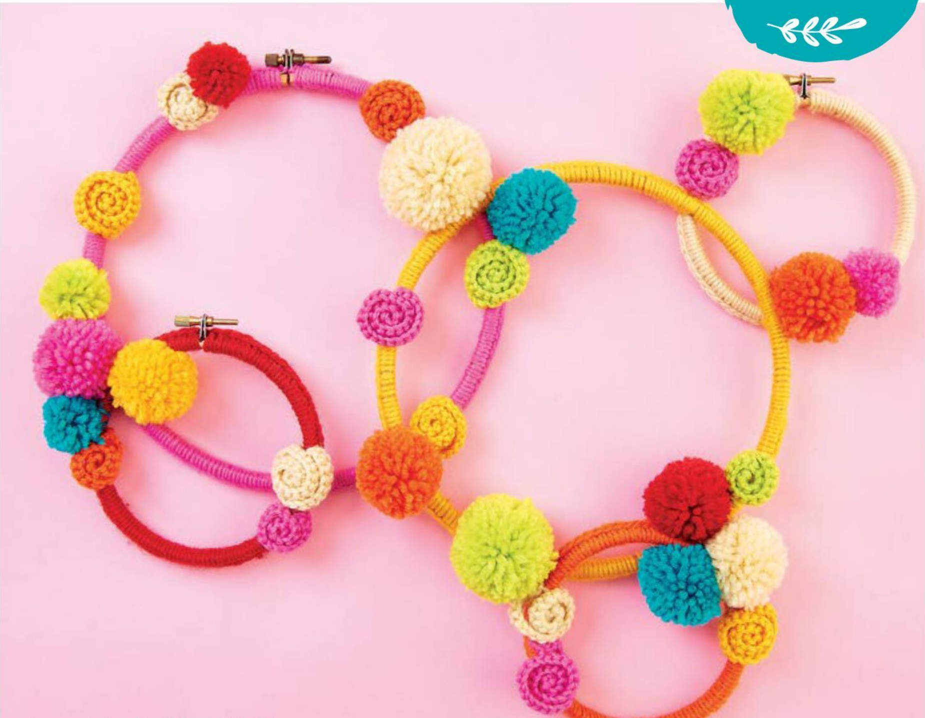
LEAVE LONG TAILS ON THE POM-POMS WHEN TYING THEM UP, SO THEY CAN BE ATTACHED TO THE HOOPS

DESIGNER **CORINNE BRADD**

Crochet Hoop Art

This creative wall display would look fabulous above a headboard

DECOR WITH A DIFFERENCE



TOP TIP! THESE HOOPS WOULD ALSO LOOK GREAT WITH AN ASSORTMENT OF EMBELLISHMENTS, SUCH AS BEADS, TASSELS, MACRAMÉ HANGINGS OR METALLISED YARN

1 Separate the embroidery hoops and tighten up the screw on each outer so the ring is completely closed. With your chosen yarn colour, treat the ring as a st and dc into it multiple times to cover it entirely with closely spaced sts positioned on the outside of the hoop. Fasten off and weave the ends inside the sts.

2 Lay out the rings so they overlap one another and bind together with the same colour yarn as the topmost hoop. Using 4mm hook make a ch of between 25 and 45. Skip the first st from the hook and dc back into the ch, fastening off at the end.

3 Allow the ch to spiral and use one yarn tail to sew straight through the middle of the coil, holding it in place. Use the rest of the yarn tails to hold the spirals on the covered hoops, threading them through at least 3cm of the sts before trimming the ends.

4 Use varying sizes of pom-pom makers to create lots of pom-poms, leaving long tails when they are tied. Arrange them in clusters at the intersections of the hoops, tying in place and sewing the long ends through the sts as before. Weave in all ends

MAKE A POM-POM

1 Open up the two halves of the maker, hold them together and wrap both sides with yarn until it looks full.

2 Close the halves then snip open the pom-pom along the outside gap. Wrap a length of yarn around the ball and tie it into a knot.

3 Carefully remove the pom-pom from the maker and trim any stray lengths until you've achieved the shape you want.

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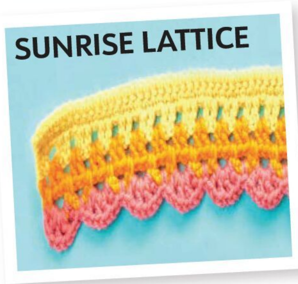
CRAFT EDGING

MAKE ME ON DAY 6

Corinne Bradd demonstrates pretty trims to finish your projects

KIT LIST ★ DK yarn, assorted colours ★ Crochet hook ★ Tapestry needle ★ Scissors ★ Tape measure



Sunrise Lattice

51 sts = 27cm

Make a ch that is a multiple of six sts plus three

☐ Row 1: 1ch, 1dc in second ch from hook, 1dc in every st to end, turn

☐ Row 2: 1ch, 1dc into every st to end, turn

☐ Row 3: 3ch (counts as 1tr), 1tr, miss one st, *1ch, 2tr, miss one st, rep from * to last two sts, 2tr, turn

Change colour

☐ Row 4: 4ch (counts as 1tr, 1ch), *2tr in ch sp, 1ch, rep from * to last ch sp, 1tr in third of 3ch

☐ Row 5: sl st in top of ch sp, *4ch, 1dc in next ch sp, rep from * to end

Change colour

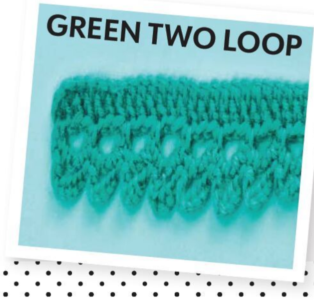
☐ Row 6: 1dc, *(1ch, 1tr) in 4ch sp four times, 1dc in next 4ch sp, rep from * to end, 1ch, 2tr in sl st

Fasten off

Green Two Loop

50 sts = 25cm

Make a ch that is a multiple of three sts plus two



☐ Row 1: 1tr in third ch from hook, 1tr in each ch to end, turn

☐ Row 2: *5ch, miss two tr, 1dc in next st, rep from * to end, turn

☐ Row 3: *1dc in 5ch sp, 6ch, 1dc in same 5ch sp, rep from * to end, turn

Fasten off

Pink Droplets

51 sts = 24cm

Make a ch that is a multiple of 11 sts plus seven

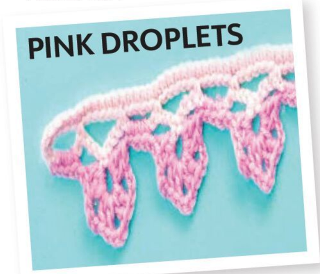
☐ Row 1: 1dc in second ch from hook, 1dc in every st to end, turn

☐ Row 2: 1ch, 1dc, 5ch, miss four sts, 1dc, *9ch, sl st in sixth st from hook to make a loop, 3ch, miss five sts, 1dc, 5ch, miss four sts, 1dc, rep from * to end, turn

Change colour if desired

☐ Row 3: 1ch, 3dc in 5ch sp, *1ch, (2tr, 2ch) in 6ch loop three times, 2tr in same loop, 1ch, 3dc into next 5ch sp, rep from * to end

Fasten off



Blue Braid

51 sts = 22cm

Make a ch that is a multiple of two sts plus three

☐ Row 1: 1dc in third ch from hook, *miss one st, 1ch, 1dc, rep from * to end, turn

☐ Row 2: 2ch, *miss one st, 1ch, 1dc, rep from * to end, turn

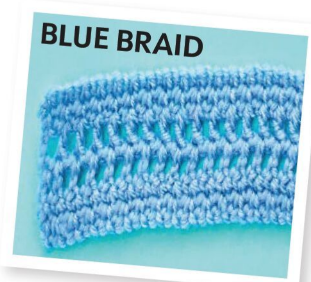
☐ Row 3: 3ch (counts as 1tr), *miss one st, 1ch, 1tr, rep from * to end, turn

☐ Row 4: rep row 3

☐ Rows 5-6: rep row 2

☐ Rep Rows 3-6 until desired length is reached

Fasten off



Take It Further

KIT LIST

★ Cotton fabric: assorted prints; plain ★ Quilt wadding ★ DK yarn, assorted colours ★ Crochet hook, 4mm ★ Tapestry needle ★ Scissors ★ Tape measure

1 To make a patchwork quilt, cut several 8.5cm squares of coordinating cotton fabric. Place two squares RS together and sew down one side. Repeat with two more squares. Open both out and sew the two rectangles RS together on one side.

2 Open out and continue sewing the blocks together to make your desired size quilt top. Press. Lay quilt wadding on top of plain fabric and put the quilt top face up on top. Pin and top stitch the layers together.

3 Trim the edges of the layers neatly and zigzag stitch to roughly bind. Use a sharp wool needle to hand-sew blanket stitch around the edge of the quilt using the zigzag stitch as a guide to even spacing.

4 Join the yarn to a blanket stitch at any corner and begin crocheting your desired edging. Choose from the four edging designs or use the one pictured opposite as follows: Using 4mm hook, join brown to blanket st at any corner

☐ Rnd 1: 1dc in each blanket st to end working 3dc in each corner st, join with a sl st to first st

☐ Rnd 2: (3ch [counts as 1tr], 1ch, 1tr, 1ch, 1tr) in middle corner st, * (miss next st, 1ch, 1tr) to next 3dc corner cl, (1tr, 1ch, 1tr, 1ch, 1tr) in middle corner st, rep from * to end, join with a sl st to first st

Change to white

☐ Rnd 3: 1dc in each st and 1ch sp to end working 2dc in each middle corner st to end, join with a sl st to first st

Change to pink

☐ Rnd 4: (3ch [counts as 1tr], 1ch, 1tr, 1ch, 1tr) in between two corner sts, * (miss next st, 1ch, 1tr) to next corner, (1tr, 1ch, 1tr, 1ch, 1tr) in between two corner sts, rep from * to end, join with a sl st to first st

Change to brown

☐ Rnd 5: 1dc, (4ch, 1dc) to end, join with a sl st to first st

Fasten off

If using one of the four previous trims, switch the foundation chain into a row of dc on the blanket stitches, then work into that. When done, fasten off and weave in all ends. You can then neaten the visible quilt edging by working 1dc in front of each blanket stitch to cover the zigzag stitches.

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WHY NOT TRY...

This quilt can be made full-size, or you can create a mini version for a youngster's dolls

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CROCHET POCKETS

MAKE ME ON DAY 17

Get creative with **Heather Gibbs'** stitched pocket project

KIT LIST ★ DK yarn, assorted colours ★ Crochet hooks: 3mm, 3.75mm ★ Tapestry needle ★ Scissors ★ Tape measure ★ Classic, stripe and flower pockets: 10cm x 11cm ★ Sunshine: 10cm square

Classic Pocket

Using 3mm hook and light pink make 4ch, join with a sl st to make a ring

☐ Rnd 1: 6ch (counts as 1tr, 3ch), ([3tr, 3ch] into ring) three times, 2tr, join with a sl st to third of first ch. 12 sts Join deep pink to any 3ch sp

☐ Rnd 2: (6ch [counts as 1tr, 3ch], 3tr) in ch sp, ([3tr, 3ch, 3tr] in next 3ch sp) three times, 2tr in first 3ch sp, join with a sl st to third of first ch. 24 sts Join lime green to any 3ch sp

☐ Rnd 3: (6ch [counts as 1tr, 3ch], 3tr) in 3ch sp, ([1ch, 3tr] in next sp between 3tr cl, [3tr, 3ch, 3tr] in 3ch corner sp) three times, 3tr in next sp between 3tr cl, 2tr in first 3ch corner sp, join with a sl st to third of first ch. 36 sts Join deep pink to any 3ch sp

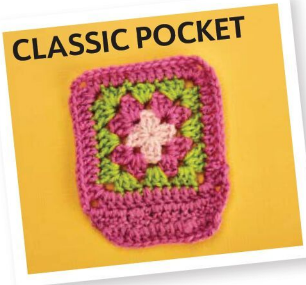
☐ Rnd 4: (6ch [counts as 1tr, 3ch], 1tr) in 3ch sp, (9tr, [2tr, 3ch, 2tr] in next 3ch sp) three times, 9tr, 1tr in first 3ch sp, join with a sl st to third of first ch. turn. 52 sts

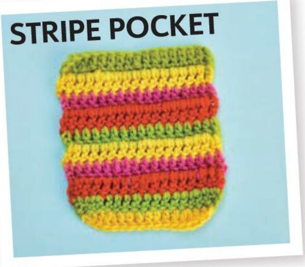
NOTE: now work in rows as folls:

☐ Row 5: 2ch (counts as 1tr), tr2tog, 2tr in next st, 7tr, 2tr in next st, tr3tog, turn. 13 sts

☐ Row 6: 2ch (counts as 1tr), tr2tog, 2tr in next st, 5tr, 2tr in next st, tr3tog, turn. 11 sts

Fasten off





Stripe Pocket

Using 3mm hook and lime green make 19ch

Work in foll one-row stripe sequence: (lime green, yellow, deep pink, orange) twice, lime green, yellow

☐ Row 1: starting in fourth ch from hook, 1tr in each st to end, turn. 17 sts

☐ Rows 2-7: (1ch [does not count as st], 1tr) in next st, 1tr in each st to end, turn

☐ Row 8: 2ch, tr2tog, 2tr in next st, 9tr, 2tr in next st, tr3tog. 15 sts

☐ Row 9: 2ch, tr2tog, 2tr in next st, 7tr, 2tr in next st, tr3tog. 13 sts

☐ Row 10: 2ch, tr2tog, 2tr in next st, 5tr, 2tr in next st, tr3tog. 11 sts

Fasten off

Sunshine Square

Using 3.75mm hook and yellow make 8ch, join with a sl st to first ch to form a ring

☐ Rnd 1: 1ch, 16dc into ring, join with a sl st to first st

☐ Rnd 2: 6ch (counts as 1dtr, 2ch), (1dtr, 2ch) to end, join with a sl st to fourth of first 6ch

Fasten off yellow, join white to any 2ch sp

☐ Rnd 3: (3ch, 2htr) in same 2ch sp, * 2htr in each of next two 2ch sp, (2htr, 1tr) in next 2ch sp, 2ch, (1tr, 2htr) in next 2ch sp, rep from * twice, 2htr in each of next two 2ch sp, (2htr, 1tr) in next 2ch sp, 2ch, join with a sl st to third of first 3ch

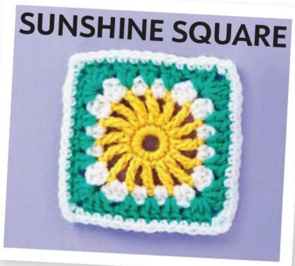
Fasten off white, join green to any 2ch corner sp

☐ Rnd 4: (3ch, 2tr) in same 2ch sp, * 2tr in each of next three 2ch sp, (3tr, 2ch, 3tr) in next 2ch corner sp, rep from * twice, 2tr in each of next three 2ch sp, (3tr, 2ch) in first 2ch corner sp, join with a sl st to third of first 3ch

Fasten off green, join white to any 2ch corner sp

☐ Rnd 5: (1ch, 1dc) in same 2ch sp, * 12dc, (1dc, 2ch, 1dc) in next 2ch corner sp, rep from * twice, 12dc, (1dc, 2ch) in first corner sp, join with a sl st to first st

Fasten off, sew in ends



Flower Pocket

Using 3mm hook and yellow make 4ch, join with a sl st to make a ring

Work in foll one-rnd stripe sequence: yellow, light pink, deep pink, lime green, orange, lime green, deep pink, yellow

☐ Rnd 1: 3ch (counts as 1tr), work 11tr into ring, join with a sl st to third of first ch. 12 sts

☐ Rnd 2: join yarn between any two tr, begtr2tog in first st, 2ch, tr2tog between same two tr, ([miss two sts, tr2tog, 2ch, tr2tog] between next two tr) to end, join with a sl st to first st

☐ Rnd 3: join yarn to any 2ch sp, (3ch, 2tr) in same 2ch sp, 3tr in each 2ch sp to end, join with a sl st to third of first ch. 36 sts

☐ Rnd 4: join yarn to any space between 3tr cl, (6ch [counts as 1tr, 3ch], 3tr) in same sp, (3tr in next sp between 3tr cl) twice, (7dtr in next sp between 3tr cl, [3htr in next sp between 3tr cl] twice) twice, (3tr, 3ch, 3tr) in next sp between 3tr cl, (3tr in next sp between 3tr cl) twice, 2tr in next sp, join with a sl st to third of first ch. 50 sts

NOTE: now work in rows as folls:

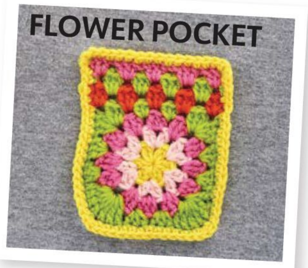
☐ Row 5: join yarn to any 3ch corner sp, (3ch, 2tr) in same 3ch corner sp, (3tr in next sp between 3tr cl) three times, 3tr in next 3ch corner sp, turn. 15 sts

☐ Row 6: join yarn to last tr of prev row, (3ch [counts as 1tr], 3tr) in next sp between 3tr cl, (3tr in next sp between 3tr cl) three times, 1tr in third of first ch, turn. 14 sts

☐ Row 7: rep Row 5, joining yarn to first sp and working last 3tr in final sp

☐ Rnd 8: join yarn to last tr of prev rnd, (1ch, 1dc) in next st, 1dc in each st around edge, working 3dc in each corner to end, join with a sl st to first ch

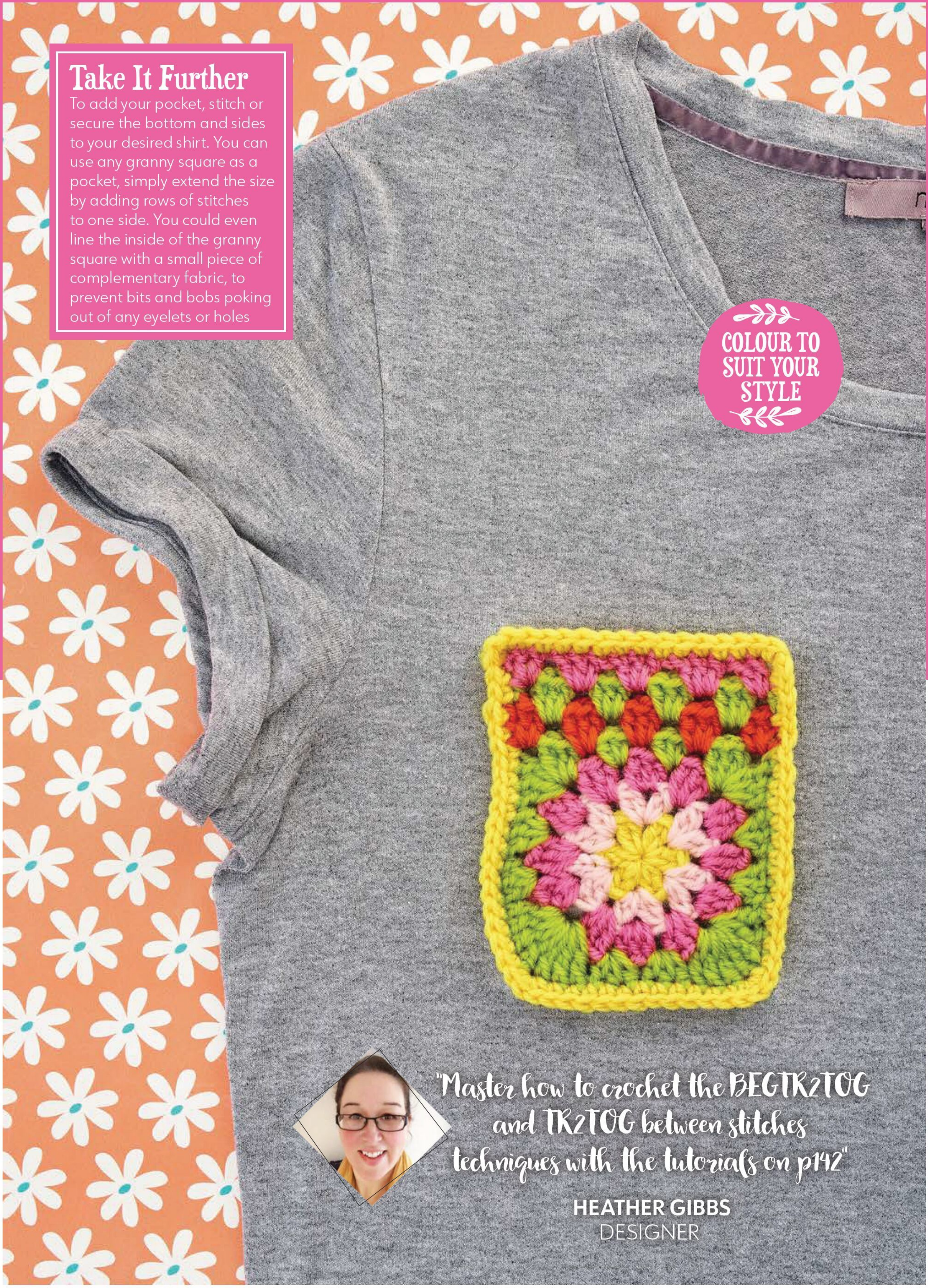
Fasten off



TOP TIP! WHEN WASHING YOUR T-SHIRT REMEMBER TO LAUNDER IT TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE CARE INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE YARN USED ON THE POCKET

Take It Further

To add your pocket, stitch or secure the bottom and sides to your desired shirt. You can use any granny square as a pocket, simply extend the size by adding rows of stitches to one side. You could even line the inside of the granny square with a small piece of complementary fabric, to prevent bits and bobs poking out of any eyelets or holes



COLOUR TO SUIT YOUR STYLE

> "Master how to crochet the BEGTR2TOG and TR2TOG between stitches techniques with the tutorials on p142"

HEATHER GIBBS
DESIGNER

Sunshine Square by Lucinda Ganderton

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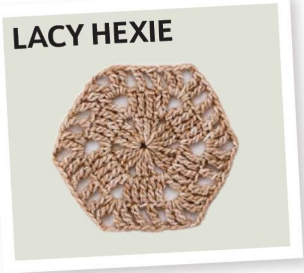
STITCH HEXIES

Try block-making with **Sarah Shrimpton's** versatile hexagons

KIT LIST ★ Stylecraft Special DK yarn ★ Crochet hooks: 4mm (yields 7cm hexies), 5mm (yields 7.5cm hexies)



Lacy Hexie

☐ Rnd 1: ch 5, all in 5th ch from hook: dtr 2, ch 2, *dtr 3, ch 2; rep from * four more times, sl st to 5th ch to join. 18 sts

☐ Rnd 2: ch 4, dtr 2, (dtr 1, ch 3, dtr 1) in 2ch-sp, *dtr 3, (dtr 1, ch 3, dtr 1) in 2ch-sp; rep from * around, sl st to 4th ch to join. 30 sts

☐ Rnd 3: ch 5 (counts as dtr 1 and ch 1), sk 1 st, dtr 1, ch 1, (dtr 2, ch 3, dtr 2) in 3ch-sp, ch 1, sk 1 st, *dtr 1, ch 1, sk 1 st, dtr 1, ch 1, sk 1 st, (dtr 2, ch 3, dtr 2) in 3ch-sp, ch 1, sk 1 st; rep from * around, sl st to 4th ch to join. 36 sts

FLOWER HEXIE

Flower Hexie

☐ Rnd 1: ch 3, puff six times in 3rd ch from hook, sl st to 1st puff to join. 6 sts

☐ Rnd 2: ch 5, (ttr2-cl, ch 2, ttr3-cl, ch 3) in same st as ch 5, *(ttr3-cl, ch 2, ttr3-cl, ch 3) in next st; rep from * around, sl st to 1st ttr2-cl to join. 12 sts

☐ Rnd 3: sl st into 2ch-sp, ch 3, tr 2 in same 2ch-sp, (tr 3, ch 2, tr 3) in 3ch-sp, *tr 3 in 2ch-sp, (tr 3, ch 2, tr 3) in 3ch-sp; rep from * around, sl st to 3rd ch to join. 54 sts

SOLID HEXIE

Solid Hexie

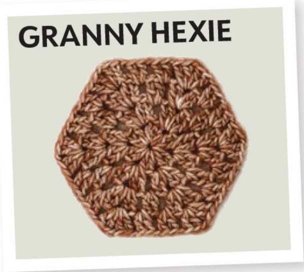
☐ Rnd 1: ch 2, dc 6 in 2nd ch from hook, sl st to 1st dc to join. 6 sts

☐ Rnd 2: ch 3 (counts as tr 1 here and throughout), tr 1 in same st as ch 3, ch 1, *(tr 2, ch 1) in next st; rep from * around, sl st to 3rd ch to join. 12 sts

☐ Rnd 3: ch 3, tr 1, (tr 1, ch 2, tr 1) in 1ch-sp, *tr 2, (tr 1, ch 2, tr 1) in 1ch-sp; rep from * around, sl st to 3rd ch to join. 24 sts

☐ Rnd 4: ch 3, *tr 1 in each st to 2ch-sp, (tr 1, ch 2, tr 1) in 2ch-sp; rep from * around, tr 1 in each st to end, sl st to 3rd ch to join. 36 sts

☐ Rnds 5 onwards: rep rnd 4



Granny Hexie

☐ Rnd 1: ch 4, all in 4th ch from hook: tr 1, ch 1, *tr 2, ch 1; rep from * four more times, sl st to 4th ch to join. 12 sts

☐ Rnd 2: sl st across into 1ch-sp, (ch 3, tr 1, ch 1, tr 2, ch 1) in same 1ch-sp, *(tr 2, ch 1, tr 2, ch 1) in next 1ch-sp; rep from * around, sl st to 3rd ch to join. 24 sts

☐ Rnd 3: sl st across into 1ch-sp, (ch 3, tr 1, ch 1, tr 2, ch 1) in same 1ch-sp, tr 2 in next 1ch-sp, ch 1, *(tr 2, ch 1, tr 2, ch 1) in next 1ch-sp, tr 2 in next 1ch-sp, ch 1; rep from * around, sl st to 3rd ch to join. 36 sts

☐ Rnd 4: sl st across into next 1ch-sp, (ch 3, tr 1, ch 1, tr 2, ch 1) in same 1ch-sp, (tr 2, ch 1) in each 1ch-sp to vertex, *(tr 2, ch 1, tr 2, ch 1) in next 1ch-sp, (tr 2, ch 1) in each 1ch-sp to vertex; rep from * around, sl st to 3rd ch to join. 48 sts

☐ Rnds 5 onwards: rep rnd 4

TOP TIP! EACH HEXIE MADE WITH A 4MM HOOK SHOULD MEASURE 7CM, AND EACH HEXIE MADE WITH A 5MM HOOK SHOULD MEASURE 7.5CM

Take It Further

KIT LIST

★ Stylecraft Special DK acrylic yarn in Cream
★ Lion Brand Ferris Wheel aran acrylic yarn, various colours
★ Crochet hooks: 4mm (yields 7cm hexies), 5mm (yields 7.5cm hexies)

To fit: UK shoe sizes 5-6

1 To make a pair of slipper socks, make 11 7cm hexies for each foot and three for the bottom of each foot, giving a total of 28. The following steps are for the Circle hexies pictured:

☐ Rnd 1: Using 4mm hook and accent colour, ch 4, tr 11 in 4th ch from hook, sl st to 4th ch to join. 12 sts

☐ Rnd 2: ch 3, tr 1 in same st as ch 3, tr 2 in each st around, sl st to 3rd ch to join. 24 sts

☐ Rnd 3: Using Cream, ch 3, (tr 1, ch 1, tr 1) in next st, tr 1, htr 1, *tr 1, (tr 1, ch 1, tr 1) in next st, tr 1, htr 1; rep from * around, sl st to 3rd ch to join. 30 sts

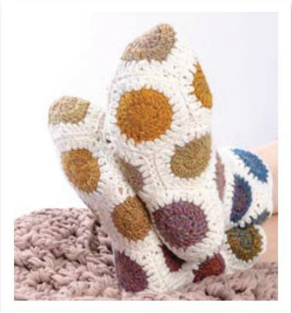
2 Make three 7.5cm hexies for the top of each foot, giving six in total.

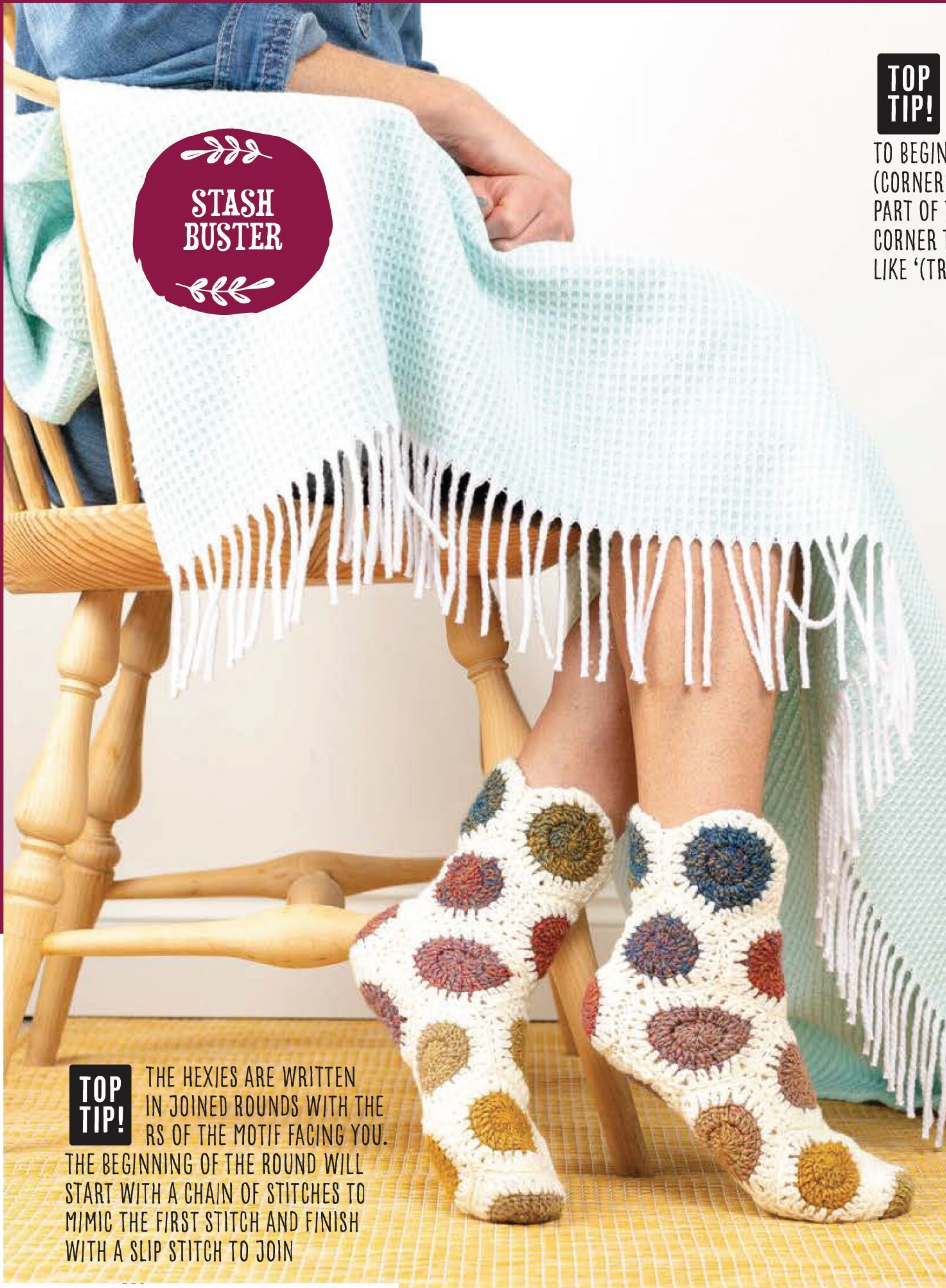
☐ Rnd 1: Using a 5mm hook and accent colour, ch 4, tr 11 in 4th ch from hook, sl st to 3rd ch to join. 12 sts

☐ Rnd 2: ch 3, tr 1 in same st as ch3, tr 2 in each st around, sl st to 3rd ch to join. 24 sts

☐ Rnd 3: Change to a 4mm hook and Cream, ch 3, (tr 1, ch 1, tr 1) in next st, tr 1, htr 1, *tr 1, (tr 1, ch 1, tr 1) in next st, tr 1, htr 1; rep from * around, sl st to 3rd ch to join. 30 sts

3 With RS facing, whip stitch to join through the outer loops only using Cream, joining same colour edges as shown on the schematic together, and using the larger hexies on the top of each foot. Fasten off and weave in ends

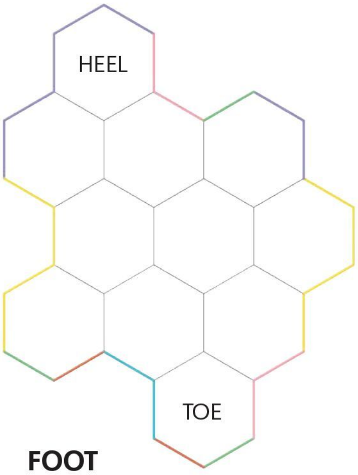




STASH BUSTER

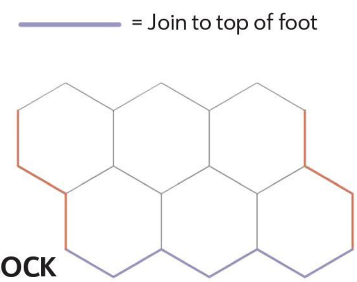
TOP TIP! IF YOU WANT TO CHANGE COLOUR AT THE BEGINNING OF A NEW ROUND, IT'S BEST TO BEGIN IN ONE OF THE VERTICES (CORNERS) AND SIMPLY START FROM THE PART OF THE ROUND THAT DESCRIBES A CORNER TURN – IT WILL USUALLY LOOK LIKE '(TR1, CH2, TR1) IN 2CH-SP'

TOP TIP! THE HEXIES ARE WRITTEN IN JOINED ROUNDS WITH THE RS OF THE MOTIF FACING YOU. THE BEGINNING OF THE ROUND WILL START WITH A CHAIN OF STITCHES TO MIMIC THE FIRST STITCH AND FINISH WITH A SLIP STITCH TO JOIN



FOOT

= Join to top of foot



SOCK

Hello Hexie!

Extracted from *Hello Hexie!* by Sarah Shrimpton, £14.99, David & Charles. Inside you'll find 10 hexagon patterns to use in 20 step-by-step projects, from garments and accessories to toys and home décor. You'll be itching to get stitching thanks to their simplicity and creativity

Intermediate

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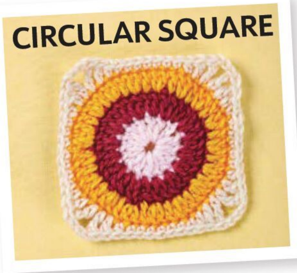
MAKE SQUARES

Stitch blocks by **Lucinda Ganderton** and **Irene Strange**

KIT LIST ★ DK yarn, assorted colours ★ Crochet hooks: 3.5mm, 5.5mm ★ Squares: 10cm



Circular Square

Using 3.5mm hook and pink make 6ch, join with sl st to first ch to form a ring

☐ Rnd 1: 3ch (counts as 1tr), 15tr into ring, join with a sl st to third of first 3ch. 16 sts

Change to pink

☐ Rnd 2: 3ch (counts as 1tr), 1tr in same st, (2tr) in each st to end, join with a sl st to third of first 3ch. 32 sts

Change to gold

☐ Rnd 3: 3ch (counts as 1tr), 1tr in same st, (1tr, 2tr in next st) to last st, 1tr, join with a sl st to third of first 3ch. 48 sts

Change to white

☐ Rnd 4: 1ch, (6dc, 1htr, 1tr, 1dtr, 3ch, 1dtr, 1tr, 1htr) to end, join with a sl st to first st

Fasten off, sew in ends

Flower Square

Using 5.5mm hook and yellow make a magic ring, work 3ch, 11tr into ring, join with a sl st to third of first 3ch. 12 sts

Fasten off yellow, join orange to any tr

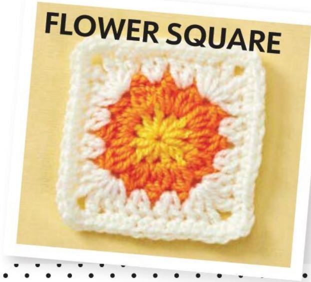
☐ Rnd 1: 3ch (counts as 1tr), tr2tog in same st, * tr3tog in next st. One tr3tog cluster made. Tr3tog in each of next ten sts, join with a sl st to third of first 3ch. 36 sts

Fasten off orange, join white to sp between two tr clusters

☐ Rnd 2: 3ch (counts as 1tr), 1tr in same sp, 2tr in next sp, ([2tr, 1dtr, 1ch, 1dtr, 2tr] in next sp, 2tr in each of next two sps) three times, (2tr, 1dtr, 1ch, 1dtr, 2tr) in next sp, join with a sl st to third of first 3ch. 40 sts

☐ Rnd 3: 1ch, 1dc in each st and 4dc in each corner sp to end, join with a sl st to first st. 56 sts

Fasten off, sew in ends



Four Stripes

Using 3.5mm hook and white make 6ch, join with a sl st to first ch to form a ring

NOTE: first 3ch of each rnd counts as 1tr

☐ Rnd 1: 3ch, 4tr into ring, 2ch, (5tr, 2ch) three times, join with a sl st to third of first 3ch. 20 sts

Change to pink

☐ Rnd 2: 3ch, 4tr, 2tr in next 2ch sp, 2ch, (2tr in same 2ch sp, 5tr, 2tr in next 2ch sp, 2ch) three times, 2tr in same 2ch sp, join with a sl st to third of first 3ch. 36 sts

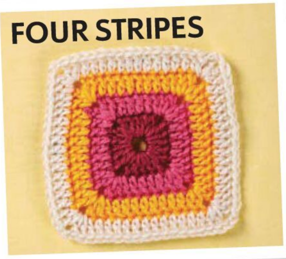
Fasten off pink, join gold to any tr after a 2ch sp

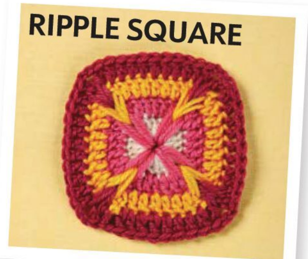
☐ Rnd 3: 3ch, 8tr, 2tr in next 2ch sp, 2ch, (2tr in same 2ch sp, 9tr, 2tr in next 2ch sp, 2ch) three times, 2tr, join with a sl st to first st. 52 sts

Fasten off gold, join white to any tr after a 2ch sp

☐ Rnd 4: 3ch, 12tr, 2tr in next 2ch sp, 2ch, (2tr in next 2ch sp, 13tr, 2tr in next 2ch sp, 2ch) three times, 2tr in same 2ch sp, join with a sl st to third of first 3ch. 68 sts

Fasten off, sew in ends





Ripple Square

Using 3.5mm and white make 6ch, join with a sl st to first ch to form a ring

NOTE: first 3ch of each rnd counts as 1tr

☐ Rnd 1: 3ch, 4tr, 3ch, (5tr, 3ch) three times, join with a sl st to third ch. 20 sts

Fasten off white, join pink to any tr after 3ch corner sp

☐ Rnd 2: 3ch, 4tr, (1tr into foundation ring, 2ch, 1tr into foundation ring, 5tr) three times, 1tr into foundation ring, 2ch, 1tr into foundation ring, join with a sl st to third of first 3ch. 28 sts

Fasten off pink, join gold to any tr after 2ch corner sp

☐ Rnd 3: 3ch, 6tr, (1tr in corner of Rnd 1, 2ch, 1tr in 3ch corner sp of Rnd 1, 7tr) three times, 1tr in corner of Rnd 1, 2ch, 1tr in corner of Rnd 1, join with a sl st to third of first 3ch. 36 sts

Fasten off gold, join pink to any tr after 2ch corner sp

☐ Rnd 4: 3ch, 8tr, (1tr in corner of Rnd 2, 2ch, 1tr in 2ch corner sp of Rnd 2, 9tr) three times, 1tr in corner of Rnd 2, 2ch, 1tr in corner of Rnd 2, join with a sl st to third of first 3ch. 44 sts

Fasten off, sew in ends

Take It Further

KIT LIST

★ Granny squares, 7.5cm, 20 ★ DK yarn, assorted ★ Crochet hook, 4mm

1 To make a lap blanket you will need to make 20 granny squares and join them together (or make a larger throw with more squares). You can use all 10cm designs from the ones listed previously, or alternatively use the 7.5cm squares pictured opposite in various colourways as follows:

☐ Using 4mm hook and dark pink make 5ch, join with 1sl st in first ch

☐ Rnd 1: 2ch, 1tr in ring, 1ch (one 2tr cl in ring, 1ch) seven times, 1ch, join with a sl st in top of first tr, fasten off

☐ Rnd 2: Join pink to any 1ch sp. 3ch, 2tr in sp, 1ch, (3tr in next sp, 1ch) seven times, join with a sl st in third ch, fasten off

☐ Rnd 3: Join pale pink to any 1ch sp. 3ch, 2tr in same sp, *3tr in next sp, (3tr, 3ch, 3tr) in next sp. Rep from * twice more, 3tr in next sp, 3tr in first corner sp, 3ch, join with a sl st in third ch, fasten off

☐ Edging: Join blue to any corner sp. 1ch, *(2dc, 1ch, 2dc) in sp, (1dc in 1tr) nine times. Rep from * three times more, join with a sl st in first dc, fasten off and darn in ends

2 Stitch the squares together, then finish by edging the blanket with a coordinating trim, as follows.

☐ Rnd 1: join pink to any dc, 1ch, *(1dc in each st) to corner sp (2dc, 1ch, 2dc) in sp. Rep from * three times, (1dc in each st) to complete round, join with a sl st in first dc, fasten off

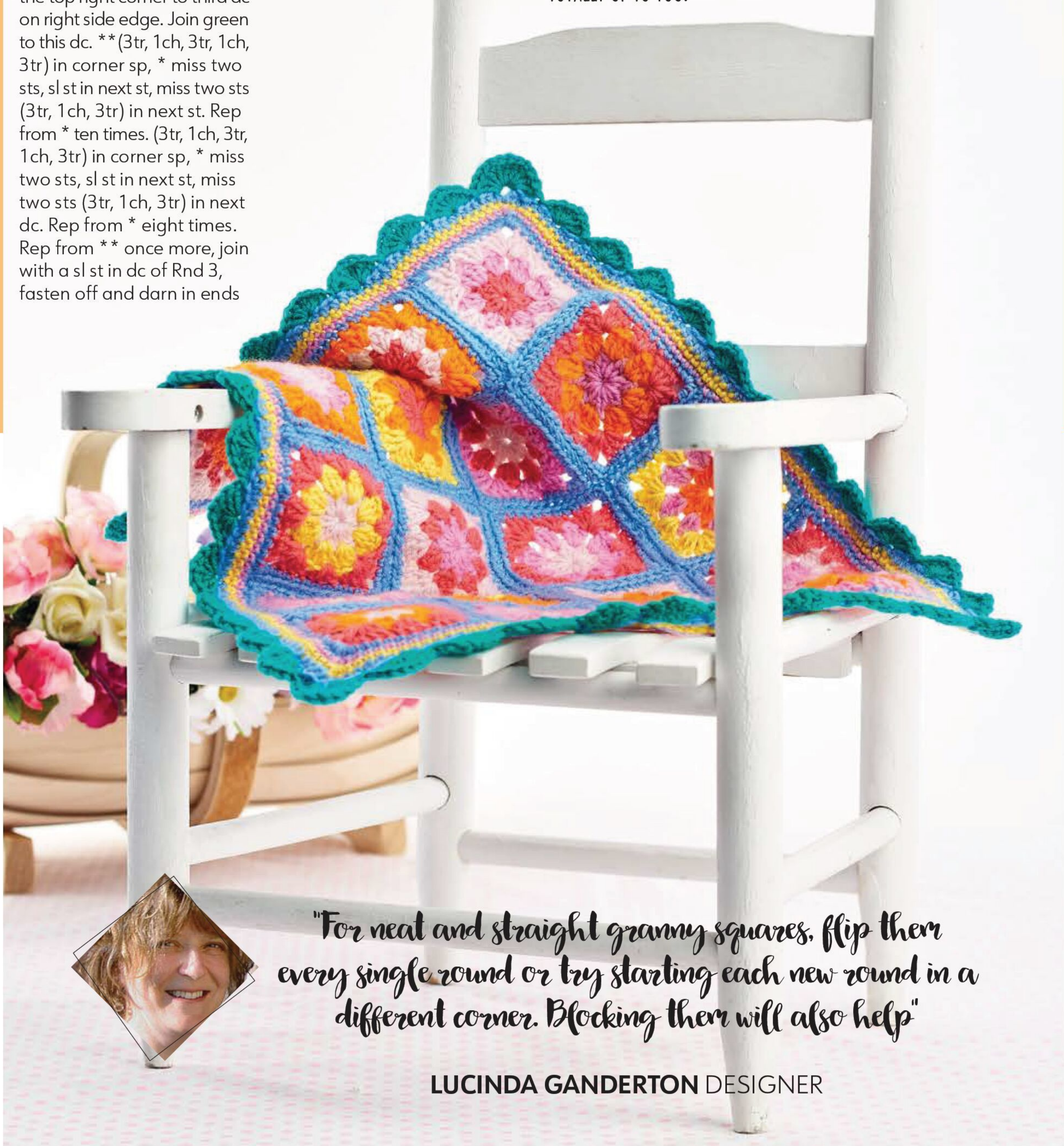
☐ Rnd 2: join yellow to any dc, 1ch, *(1dc in each st) to corner sp (1dc, 1ch, 1dc) in sp. Rep from * three times, (1dc in each st) to complete round, join with a sl st in first dc, fasten off

☐ Rnd 3: rep Rnd 2, using blue

☐ Rnd 4: with one long edge uppermost, count down from the top right corner to third dc on right side edge. Join green to this dc. **(3tr, 1ch, 3tr, 1ch, 3tr) in corner sp, * miss two sts, sl st in next st, miss two sts (3tr, 1ch, 3tr) in next st. Rep from * ten times. (3tr, 1ch, 3tr, 1ch, 3tr) in corner sp, * miss two sts, sl st in next st, miss two sts (3tr, 1ch, 3tr) in next dc. Rep from * eight times. Rep from ** once more, join with a sl st in dc of Rnd 3, fasten off and darn in ends

PRACTICAL AND PRETTY

TOP TIP! BEFORE YOU START THIS BLANKET, MAKE A NOTE OF THE DIFFERENT COLOUR COMBINATIONS YOU WANT TO USE FOR EACH SQUARE... YOU CAN HAVE 20 THE SAME, 20 DIFFERENT ONES, OR ANYTHING IN BETWEEN. IT'S TOTALLY UP TO YOU!



"For neat and straight granny squares, flip them every single round or try starting each new round in a different corner. Blocking them will also help"

LUCINDA GANDERTON DESIGNER

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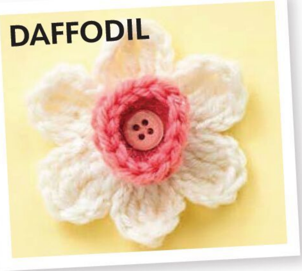
CREATE FLOWERS

MAKE ME ON DAY 49

Transform remnants with **Corinne Bradd** and **Lucinda Ganderton**

KIT LIST ★ DK yarn, assorted colours ★ Crochet hook: 4mm ★ Buttons



Daffodil

To make the trumpet, use 4mm hook and pink to make a magic ring, work 2ch, 8htr into ring, join with a sl st to second of first 2ch. Eight sts

☐ Rnd 1: 1ch, working in back loops only 1dc in each st to end, join with a sl st to first ch

☐ Rnd 2: (3ch, 1tr) in next st, (1tr, 2tr in next st) three times, 1tr, join with a sl st to third of first 3ch. 12 sts

Fasten off

To make the petals, use 4mm hook and white to make 12ch, join with a sl st to first ch to form a ring

☐ Rnd 1: (3ch, 1dtr, 1trtr, 1dtr, 2ch, 1dc) into ring six times. Six petals made. Fasten off

Fit trumpet inside petals and sew in place. Sew button inside centre of trumpet

Sunflower

Using 4mm hook and dark brown make a magic ring, 1ch, 14dc into ring, join with a sl st to first st. 14 sts

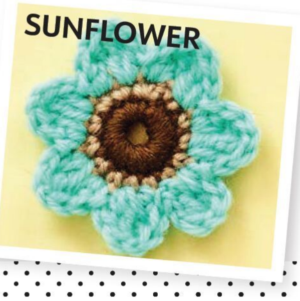
Change to light brown

☐ Rnd 1: 1ch, 1dc in each st to end, join with a sl st to first ch

Change to mint green

☐ Rnd 2: * 1ch, (1tr, 1dtr) in next st, 1ch, (1dtr, 1tr, one sl st) in next st, rep from * to end, join with a sl st to first ch. Seven petals made

Fasten off, weave in ends

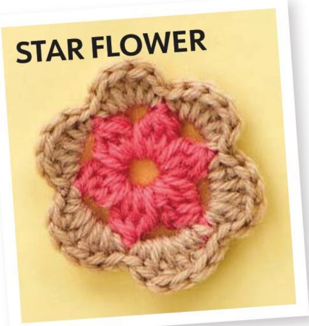


Star Flower

Using 4mm hook and pink make 8ch, join with a sl st to first ch to form a ring

☐ Rnd 1: 2ch, tr2tog into ring, draw hook through all three loops, 4ch, (tr3tog, 4ch) into ring five times, join with a sl st to first tr2tog. Six petals made

Fasten off pink, join light brown to any 4ch sp



☐ Rnd 2: (1dc, 4tr, 1dc) in each 4ch sp to end, join with a sl st to first st. Fasten off, weave in ends

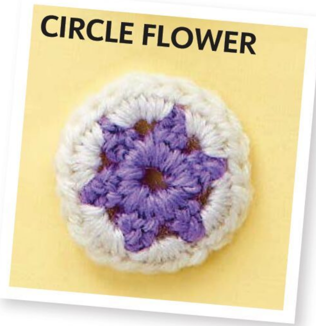
Circle Flower

Using 4mm hook and purple make 8ch, join with a sl st to first ch to form a ring

☐ Rnd 1: 2ch, 1tr into ring, 2ch, (tr2tog, 2ch) into ring five times, join with a sl st to first tr. Six petals made. Fasten off purple, join white to any 2ch sp

☐ Rnd 2: (2ch [counts as 1htr], 3htr) in same 2ch sp, 4htr in each 2ch sp to end, join with a sl st to second of first 2ch

Fasten off, weave in ends



Take It Further

KIT LIST

★ DK yarn, assorted colours ★ Crochet hook, 3.5mm ★ Fabric: pale stripe, 9.5cm square, 12; assorted prints, 8cm square, 24; white cotton (backing); floral, 3cm wide strips (binding) ★ Lightweight quilt wadding

1 To make a floral quilt, first cut 12 9.5cm squares from a pale-coloured striped fabric and 24 8cm squares from an assortment of floral and striped prints. Cut each small square in half, diagonally. Arrange the pieces on a flat surface in a three block x four block panel, angling the larger squares with the triangles around them so no two same designs are touching.

2 Sew the long edges of each triangle to the edges of the square, RS together, sewing left and right, opening them up, then sewing top and bottom. Press all blocks before stitching together.

3 Pin the quilt top to wadding and backing, then topstitch around the angled squares with a 4mm long straight stitch. Trim edges neatly and sew around the sides, 2mm from the edges.

4 Join 3cm binding end to end to make a continuous strip. Sew to the reverse of the quilt, matching raw edges and mitring corners neatly. Turn binding to the front, turn under 5mm on remaining raw edge and topstitch 2mm from hem.

5 To make edging, sew a shallow blanket stitch around the edge of quilt using a darning needle and yellow yarn, making each stitch at 8mm intervals.

☐ Foundation row: Using 3.5mm hook and yellow work 2dc into the top of each blanket stitch around quilt, finishing with a sl st to join

☐ Row 1: *3ch, miss a st, 1dc into next st, rep * to end and join with a sl st

Fasten off

Join cream to a 1ch sp

☐ Row 2: work as Row 1

Join green to a 1ch sp

☐ Row 3: work *1ch, 3tr into next 1ch sp, (1ch, 1dc in next 1ch sp) twice, rep * to end and join with a sl st

Fasten off

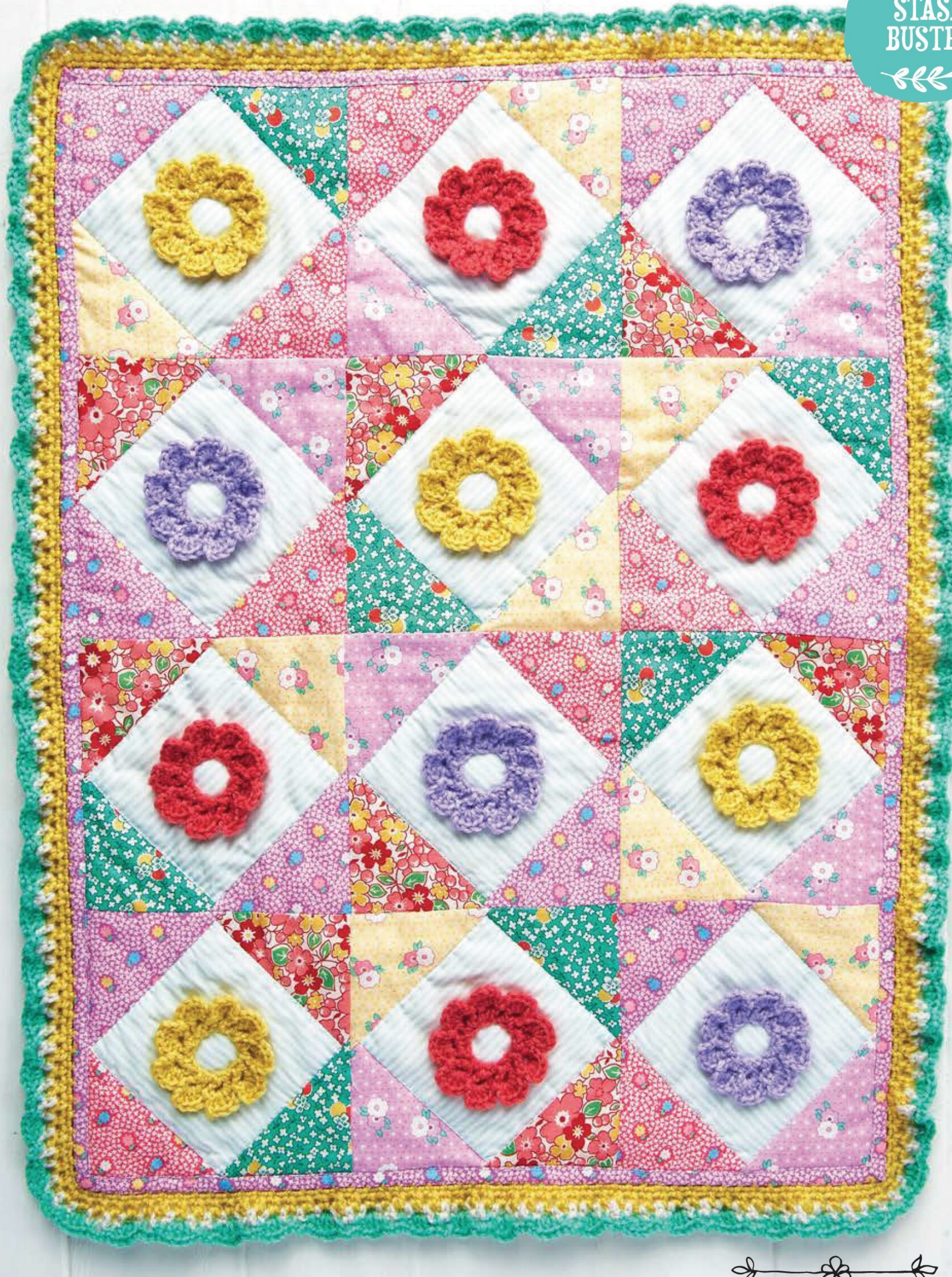
6 Make 12 rosettes as folls: Using 3.5mm hook and chosen colour make 20ch

☐ Row 1: work 1tr into the fourth ch from the hook, *miss a st (1tr, 1ch, 1tr), rep * to end

☐ Row 2: turn, 1ch, *(1dc in 1ch sp, 2ch, 4tr), sl st between trs, rep * to end, sl st into last 1ch sp

Fasten off. Use the fastening off yarn to stitch the work into a nine petal-rosette.

7 To make up, pin a big rosette or several smaller flowers to each square on the quilt and topstitch in place with matching thread around the edge of the centre hole.



STASH BUSTER

TOP TIP! THE OLD ADAGE 'MEASURE TWICE, CUT ONCE' IS SO TRUE FOR PATCHWORK, AS NEAT ACCURATE CUTS WILL SAVE YOU TIME AND YIELD A MUCH BETTER FINISH

WHY NOT TRY...

Little embellishments like these can be used in all sorts of projects, such as on floral headbands, as small details on garments, as a decorative element on a toy, and even stitched onto a chain for easy yet charming jewellery

Beginner

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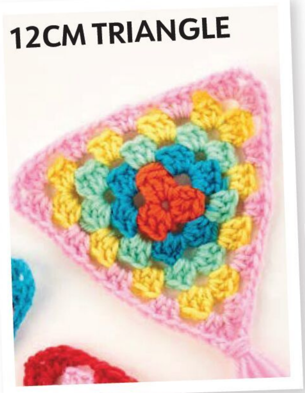
CRAFT TRIANGLES

Create **Jackie Carreira's** tessellating shapes for makes of all kinds

KIT LIST ★ DK yarn, assorted colours ★ Crochet hooks: 3mm, 4.5mm



12cm Triangle

Using 3mm hook and first colour make 4ch and join with a sl st to make a ring

☐ Rnd 1 (RS): 6ch (counts as 1tr and 3ch throughout), (3tr into ring, 3ch) twice, 2tr into ring, join with sl st to third of first 6ch

Cut first colour, join second colour to any 3ch sp

☐ Rnd 2: 6ch, 3tr in same ch sp, * 1ch, (3tr, 3ch, 3tr) in next 3ch sp (corner made), rep from * once, 1ch, 2tr in same 3ch sp as beg, join with a sl st in third of first 6ch

Cut second colour, join third colour to any 3ch corner sp

☐ Rnd 3: 6ch, 3tr in same corner sp, * 1ch, 3tr in next 1ch sp, 1ch, (3tr, 3ch, 3tr) in next corner ch sp, rep from * once, 1ch, 3tr in next 1ch sp, 1ch, 2tr in same 3ch corner sp as beg, join with a sl st to third of first 6ch

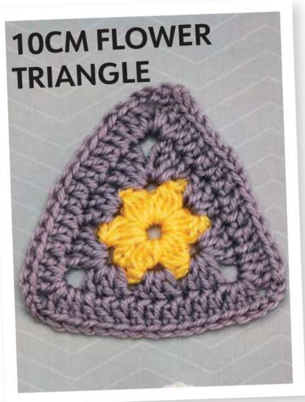
Cut third colour, join next colour to any 3ch corner sp

☐ Rnds 4-5: rep Rnd 3 twice, working extra 3tr groups along each side separated by 1ch and working corners as before

Fasten off

Sew in ends. Stretch to shape and press lightly

TOP TIP! TO MAKE THESE 12CM TRIANGLES EVEN LARGER, CONT PREVIOUS ROUND, KEEPING CORNER PATT THE SAME AND INCREASING NUMBER OF 3TR GROUPS ON EACH SIDE WITH 1CH IN BETWEEN



10cm Flower Triangle

Using 4.5mm hook and chosen yarn make 5ch, join with a sl st to form a ring

☐ Rnd 1 (RS): 3ch (counts as 1tr), beg cl into ring (see In Stitches panel), 2ch (1cl into ring, 2ch) five times, join with a sl st to third of first 3ch. Six sts

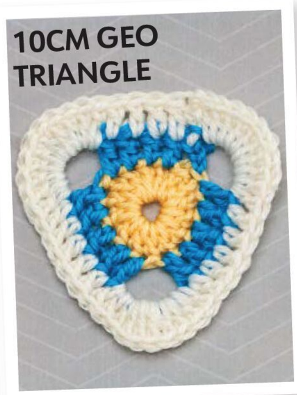
Fasten off first colour, join second colour to any 2ch sp

☐ Rnd 2: 6ch (counts as 1tr, 3ch), 3tr in same 2ch sp, * 3tr in next 2ch sp, (3tr, 3ch, 3tr) in next 2ch sp, rep from * once, 3tr in next 2ch sp, 2tr in first 2ch sp, join with a sl st to third of first 6ch. 27 sts

☐ Rnd 3: one sl st in first 3ch corner sp, 6ch (counts as 1tr, 3ch), 3tr in same 3ch sp, * 9tr, (3tr, 3ch, 3tr) in next 3ch sp, rep from * once, 9tr, 2tr in same ch sp as first 6ch, join with a sl st to third of first 6ch. 45 sts

Fasten off

Sew in ends. Stretch to shape and press lightly



10cm Geo Triangle

Using 4.5mm hook and chosen yarn make 5ch, join with a sl st to form a ring

☐ Rnd 1 (RS): 3ch (counts as 1tr), 14tr into ring, join with a sl st to third of first 3ch. 15 sts

Change to second yarn

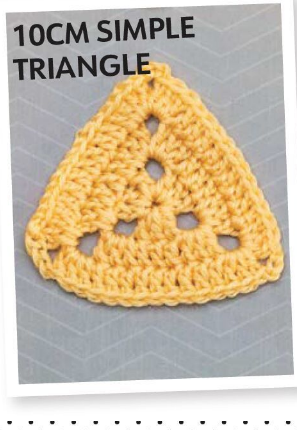
☐ Rnd 2: 3ch in first tr (counts as 1tr), 4tr, * 5ch, 5tr, rep from * once, 5ch, join with a sl st to third of first 3ch

Change to third yarn

☐ Rnd 3: 3ch in first tr (counts as 1tr), 4tr, * 10tr in next 5ch sp, 5tr, rep from * once, 10tr in next 5ch sp, join with a sl st to third of first 3ch. 45 sts

Fasten off

Sew in ends. Stretch to shape and press lightly



10cm Simple Triangle

Using 4.5mm hook and chosen yarn make 4ch, join with a sl st to form a ring

☐ Rnd 1 (RS): 6ch (counts as 1tr, 3ch), (3tr, 3ch) into ring twice, 2tr, join with a sl st to third of first 6ch. Nine sts

☐ Rnd 2: one sl st in next 3ch sp, 6ch (counts as 1tr, 3ch), 3tr into same ch sp, * 3tr, (3tr, 3ch, 3tr) in next 3ch sp, rep from * once, 3tr, 2tr in first 3ch sp, join with a sl st to third of first 6ch. 27 sts

☐ Rnd 3: one sl st in next 3ch sp, 6ch (counts as 1tr, 3ch), 3tr into same ch sp, * 9tr, (3tr, 3ch, 3tr) in next 3ch sp, rep from * once, 9tr, 2tr in first 3ch sp, join with a sl st to third of first 6ch. 45 sts

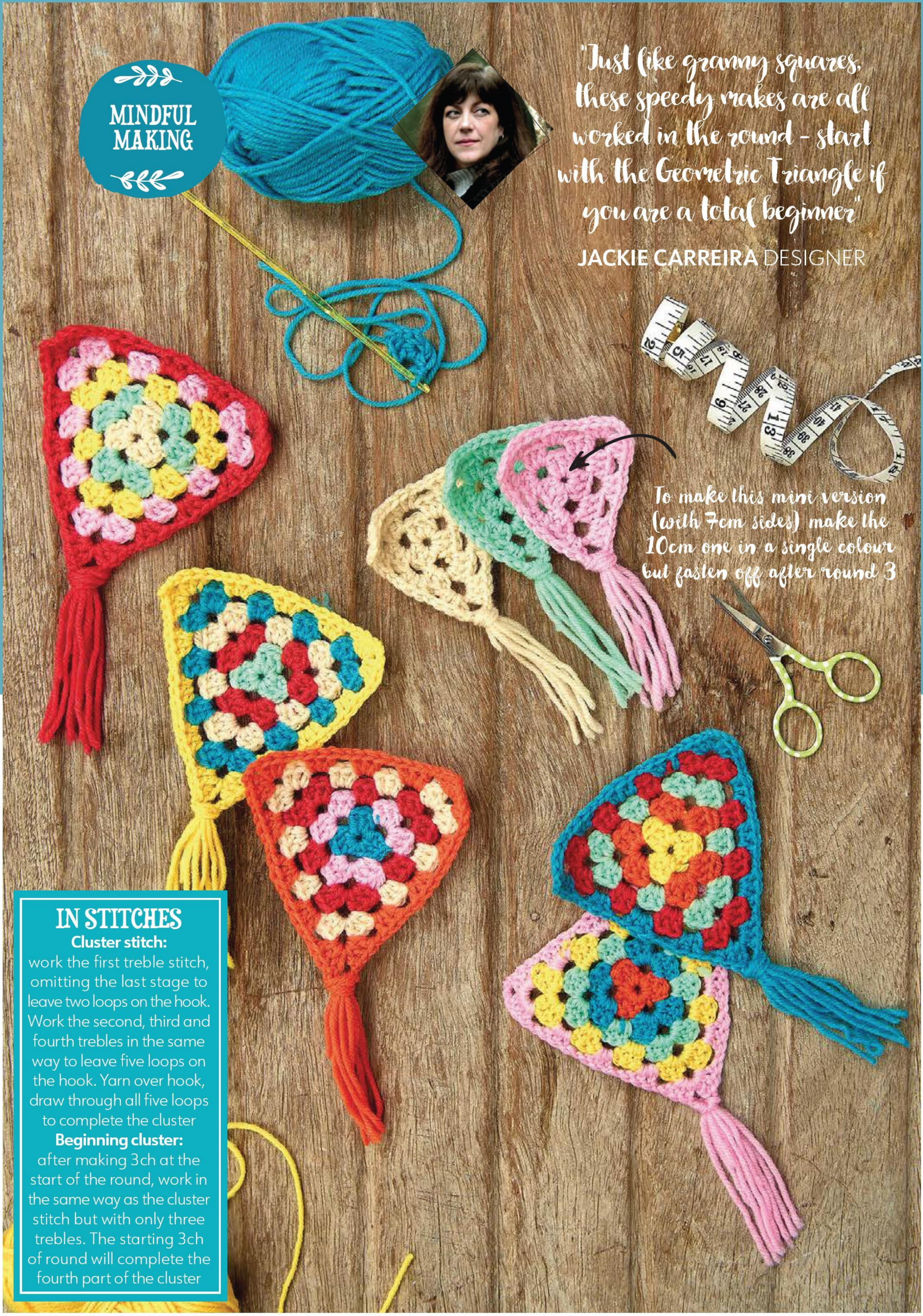
Fasten off

Sew in ends. Stretch to shape and press lightly

Take It Further

1 To make a length of fun, colourful bunting, simply join a string of triangles together by working a row of double crochet along the top side of each piece. You can make the bunting as long as you like. Make a loop at either end for hanging.

2 Add a tassel at the bottom of each triangle as follows: Cut five lengths of yarn approx 20cm long. Hold strands tog so ends are all in same place and fold in half to form an open-ended loop. With WS of triangle facing, insert hook through lower corner chain sp (from front to back) and pull top of tassel loop through. Place ends over hook and pull them all through top of tassel loop to secure. Weave in all ends



MINDFUL MAKING

"Just like granny squares, these speedy makes are all worked in the round - start with the Geometric Triangle if you are a total beginner"

JACKIE CARREIRA DESIGNER

To make this mini version (with 7cm sides) make the 10cm one in a single colour but fasten off after round 3

IN STITCHES

Cluster stitch:
work the first treble stitch, omitting the last stage to leave two loops on the hook. Work the second, third and fourth trebles in the same way to leave five loops on the hook. Yarn over hook, draw through all five loops to complete the cluster

Beginning cluster:
after making 3ch at the start of the round, work in the same way as the cluster stitch but with only three trebles. The starting 3ch of round will complete the fourth part of the cluster

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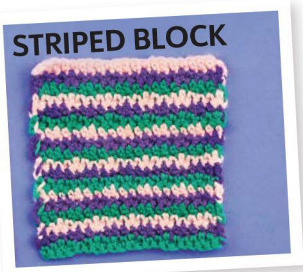
MAKE SWATCHES

MAKE ME ON DAY 63

Try these impressive effects by **Corinne Bradd**

KIT LIST ★ DK yarn, assorted colours ★ Crochet hooks: 4mm, 3.75mm ★ Swatch sizes: depends on number of stitches crocheted



Striped block

Using 4mm hook make a ch that is a multiple of four sts plus two. Change colour at end of each row

☐ Row 1: 1dc in second ch from hook, *1edc, 1htr, 1edc, 1dc, rep from * to end, turn

☐ Row 2: 2ch (counts as 1htr), *1edc, 1dc, 1edc, 1htr, rep from * to end, turn

☐ Row 3: 1ch (does not count as a st), 1dc, *1edc, 1htr, 1edc, 1dc, rep from * to end, turn

☐ Rep Rows 2-3

HORIZONTAL RIB

Horizontal Rib

Using 4mm hook and blue, make a ch in any number of sts

☐ Row 1 (WS): 1ch, work 1dc into every st to end

☐ Row 2 (RS): 1ch, work 1dc into the back loop of every st to end

☐ Row 3 (WS): 1ch, work 1dc into front loop of every st to end

Rep rows 2 and 3 until work meas desired length

Chain Link Mix

Using 3.75mm hook and yellow, make a ch that is an odd number of sts plus three

☐ Row 1: starting in fourth ch from hook, *1edc, 1ch, miss one st, rep from * to last ch, 1edc, turn

☐ Row 2: 3ch (counts as 1edc, 1ch), *1edc in next ch sp, 1ch, rep from * to last ch sp, turn

Rep Row 2

CHAIN LINK MIX

Bi-colour Trebles

NOTE: Keep yarn on the WS of the work at all times

☐ Using 4mm hook and green, make a ch in multiples of two sts

☐ Row 1 (RS): using green 1ch, 1dc in second ch from hook, join yellow and *1dc in yellow, 1dc green, rep from * to end, finishing on yellow

☐ Row 2 (WS): 3ch in green, *1tr in yellow, 1tr in green, rep from * to end, finishing on yellow

☐ Rep rows 1 and 2 until work meas desired length

BI-COLOUR TREBLES

Take It Further

KIT LIST

★ DK yarn, lilac, grey, yellow ★ Crochet hook, 4mm ★ Pom-pom maker, 3.5mm ★ Fabric, grey ★ Bias binding, 2cm wide: lilac, lilac check, yellow ★ Cushion pad, 12"

1 To create a cushion cover you will need to make nine 8cm swatches. Use any of the four described previously or make the 8cm lilac ones pictured opposite as folls: Using 4mm hook and purple make 16ch

☐ Row 1: one tr into fourth chain from hook, 1tr in each st to end, turn. 14 sts

☐ Row 2: 3ch, one tr in next tr, 1tr in each tr to end, turn

Rep Row 2 five times

Fasten off and weave in ends

For the yellow and silver squares: Using 4mm hook and yellow, make 6ch, sl st into first ch

☐ Rnd 1: 3ch, 2tr into ring, 3ch. * Work 3tr into ring, 3ch. Repeat from * twice. Join round, sl st into top of first 3ch

Fasten off and weave in ends

Change to silver into a 3ch corner

☐ Rnd 2: 3ch, 2tr, 3ch, 3tr into same corner space. *1ch, then work 3tr, 3ch, 3tr into next corner space. Repeat from * twice, then 1ch. Join with sl st into top of first 3ch. Fasten off and weave in ends

Change to yellow into any 3ch corner

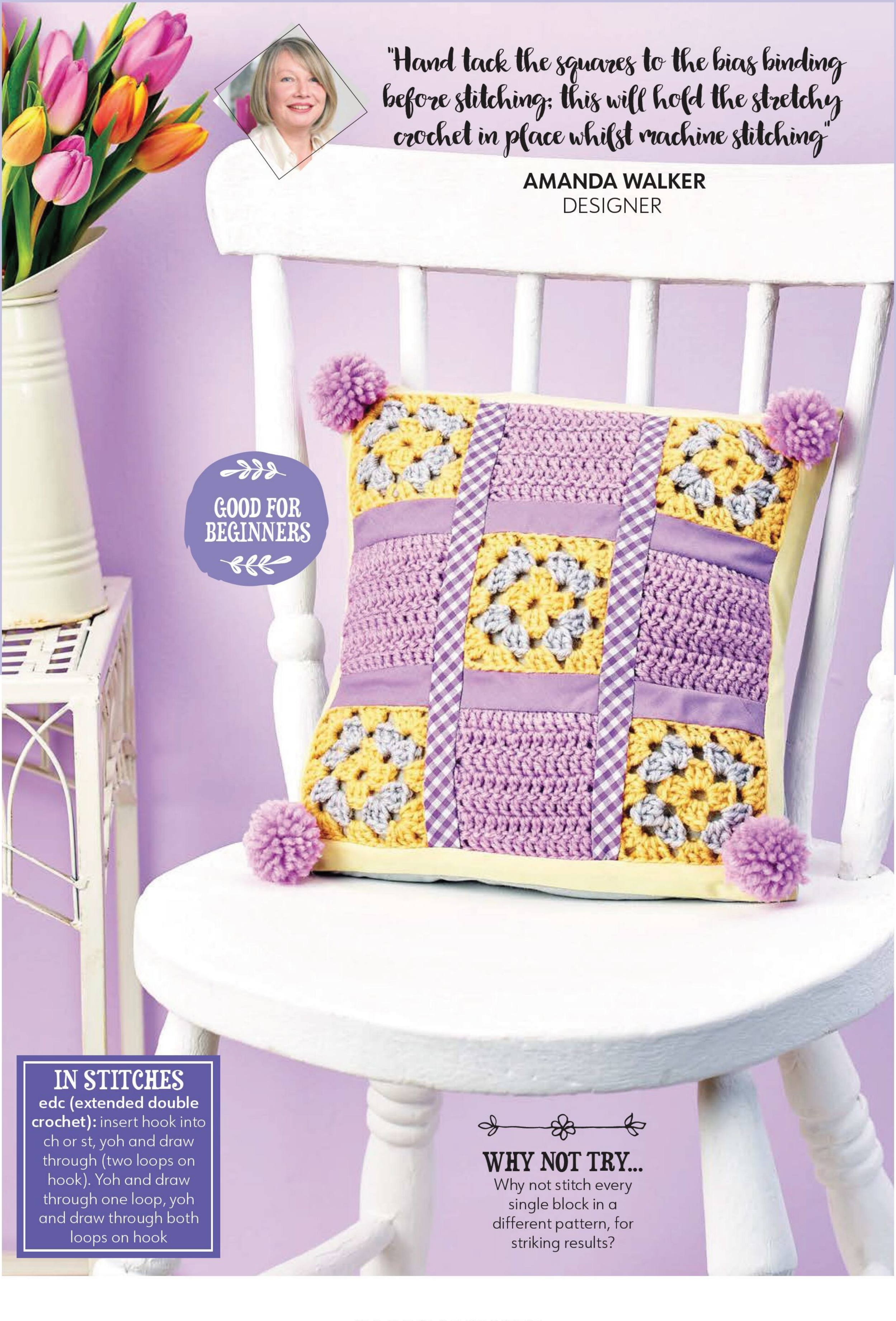
☐ Rnd 3: 3ch, 2tr, 3ch, 3tr into same corner space. 1ch. Work 3tr into next 1ch space. *1ch, work 3tr, 3ch, 3tr into next 3ch corner space. 1ch. Work 3tr into next 1ch space. Repeat from * until all chain spaces are filled. 1ch and join into the top of first 3ch Fasten off and weave in ends

2 Make a strip along a length of lilac binding using three 8cm crochet swatches, leaving 1cm between each. Machine stitch in place then connect another three 8cm squares to the opposite side of the binding, ensuring they line up and staggering the order. Sew another strip of lilac binding to the opposite side of the last squares connected, then stitch the remaining three in place.

3 Stitch lilac check binding in the opposite direction to make a solid grid. Sew yellow binding to the edges to create a border. Trim grey fabric to the same size as the crochet square, lay it behind and edge stitch the two pieces together.

4 To create an envelope back, snip two grey rectangles of fabric three quarters of the size of the square. Fold and press in 5cm along one of the longer edges. Layer the pieces on the face of the crochet; first the folded piece with the flap uppermost, then the remaining rectangle. Stitch around all four edges.

5 Turn the cover RS out, tease out the corners and press flat. Make four pom-poms using purple yarn (see guide on p116); stitch one to each corner of the cover, then insert a cushion pad.



> "Hand tack the squares to the bias binding before stitching; this will hold the stretchy crochet in place whilst machine stitching"

AMANDA WALKER
DESIGNER

GOOD FOR BEGINNERS

IN STITCHES

edc (extended double crochet): insert hook into ch or st, yoh and draw through (two loops on hook). Yoh and draw through one loop, yoh and draw through both loops on hook

WHY NOT TRY...

Why not stitch every single block in a different pattern, for striking results?

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TUNISIAN CROCHET

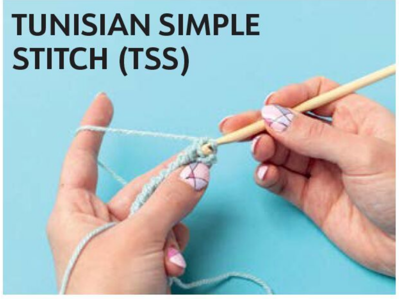
MAKE ME ON DAY 73

Emma Guess demos a crochet technique to create textured fabric

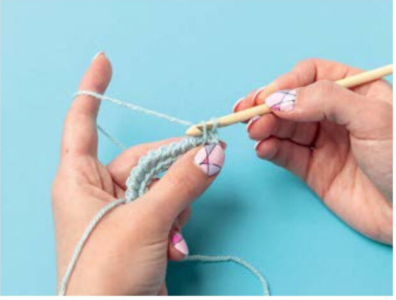
If you want to try something a little different, Tunisian crochet uses a range of techniques, including crochet and weaving, to create sturdy textured fabric. The stitches are worked in passes, and you can find the steps for these on page 142, along with how to create the foundation row and edge stitch for crocheting the scarf opposite

KIT LIST ★ Tunisian crochet hook ★ Yarn

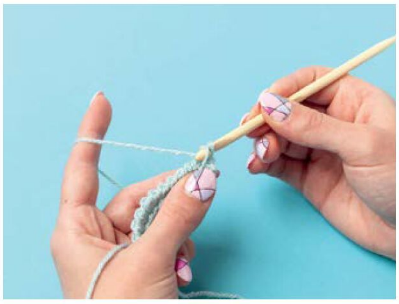
TUNISIAN SIMPLE STITCH (TSS)



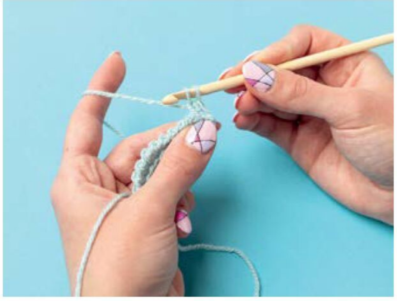
1 Complete the foundation row and standard return. Ignore the very first stitch. Insert the hook under the front post (vertical bar) of the second stitch



2 You do not go through the back of the work at all for this stitch, but rather just work under the front post of the stitches

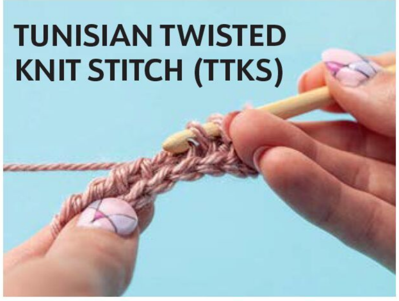


3 Wrap the yarn around the hook. Pull the yarn through 1 loop – that is: pull the yarn under the vertical bar that you inserted the hook under. One stitch is complete

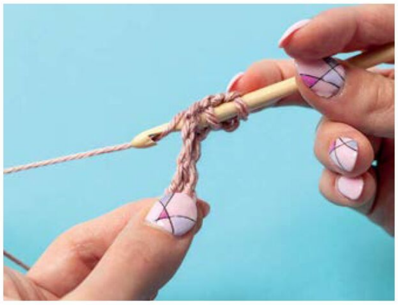


4 You now have 2 loops on the hook. Continue these steps across and finish with an edge stitch in the last stitch. Finish the row with a standard return

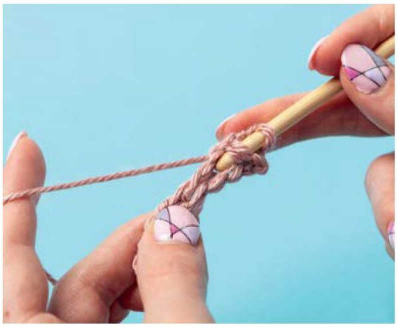
TUNISIAN TWISTED KNIT STITCH (TTKS)



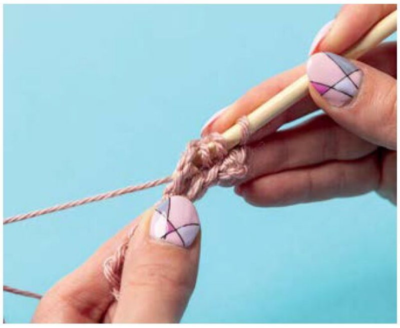
1 Worked like the Tks (see p142) but rather than going through the stitch from the working hand side of the front bar, go through the stitch from the far side



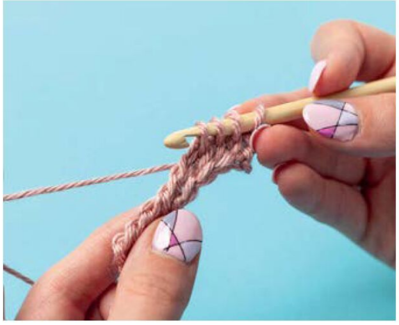
2 Use your hook to pull the bar to open the stitch up so it's easier to work. Next, go between the front and back vertical bars of the stitch and out through the back of the work



3 To complete the next step of the Tunisian Twisted Knit Stitch, you will need to wrap the yarn around the hook from the front



4 The fourth stage of the stitch is to draw the hook back, pulling the yarn through the stitch to create a new loop on the hook



5 Repeat in each stitch across and make one edge stitch in the last stitch. Finish the row with a standard return. Turn to page 142 to find out how

Take It Further

KIT LIST

- ★ Yarn: One 100g/115m ball each of worsted (aran/10-ply) cotton yarn in grey (A), charcoal (B), light grey (C) and green (D)
- ★ Tunisian crochet hook, 7mm

Size: approx 132 x 15cm

TENSION SQUARE

- ★ 14.5 sts
- ★ 10cm
- ★ In pattern
- ★ 7mm Tunisian crochet hook

Using yarn A, ch 22.

☐ Row 1 (foundation row): pick up 1 loop through bb of second ch from hook and in each remaining ch to end. Using yarn B, work a standard return pass until 2 loops remain on hook, yo with yarn C and pull through 2 loops

☐ Row 2 using yarn C, *1 Tss in next st, 1 Ttks in next st; repeat from * to last st, 1 edge st in last st. Using yarn D, work a standard return pass until 2 loops remain on hook, yo with yarn B and pull through 2 loops

☐ Row 3 using yarn B, *1 Ttks in next st, 1 Tss in next st; repeat from * to last st, 1 edge st in last st. Using yarn A, work a standard return pass until 2 loops remain on hook, yo with yarn D and pull through 2 loops

☐ Row 4 using yarn D, *1 Tss in next st, 1 Ttks in next st; repeat from * to last st, 1 edge st in last st. With yarn C, work a standard return pass Rows 2 and 3 form the stitch pattern

☐ Repeat rows 2 and 3 a further 86 times (176 rows in total), changing colour at the end of every pass, following the colour change chart above. Bind off

☐ Fasten off and weave in ends on wrong side

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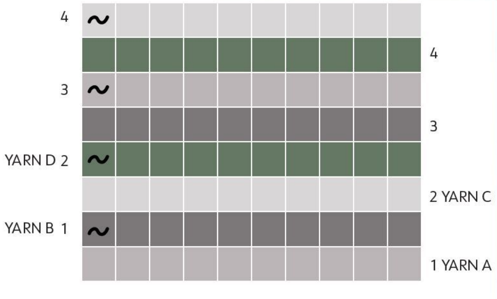
KEY

▨ Yarn A: Grey
▨ Yarn B: Charcoal
▨ Yarn C: Light grey
▨ Yarn D: Green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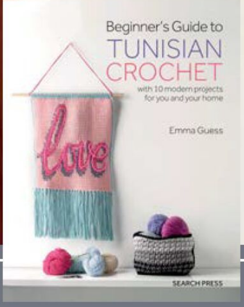
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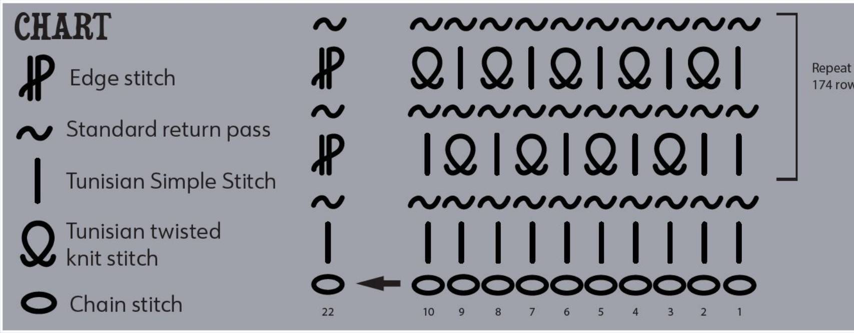
Edge stitch
Standard return pass
Tunisian Simple Stitch
Tunisian twisted knit stitch
Chain stitch
Repeat for 174 rows
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STEP BY STEP

BROOMSTICK STITCH

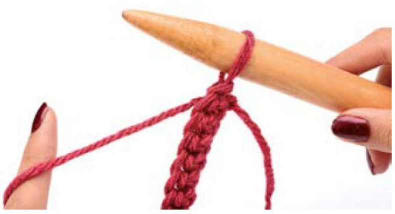
MAKE ME ON DAY 87

Helen Jordan shows how to create a distinctive large loop effect

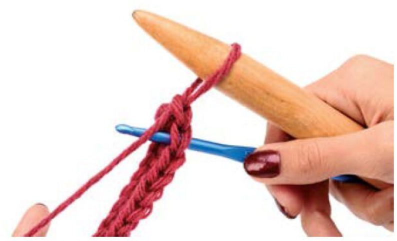
This tutorial is based on the shrug pattern, so begin having already worked a row of double crochet. You need to make a chain that is a multiple of three stitches, plus one. In this pattern, making the loops is counted as one row and taking them off in groups of three is counted as the second row. Together, these two rows create one row of broomstick loops.

KIT LIST ★ Crochet hook, 5.5mm ★ Knitting needle, 20mm ★ Chunky yarn

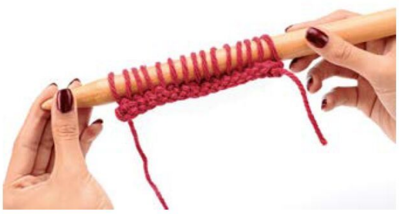
THE PICK UP ROW



1 Stretch the loop on the hook and place it on the knitting needle, easing it until it fits snugly but not tightly on the knitting needle as this will make it tricky to work with

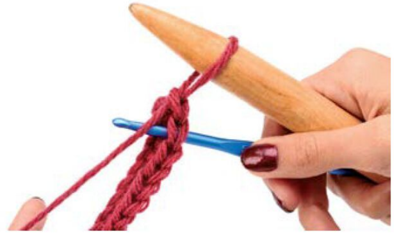


2 * Insert hook under both strands of the top of the double crochet stitch, wrap the yarn over the hook and pull through. Place on the knitting needle, repeat from * to end of row

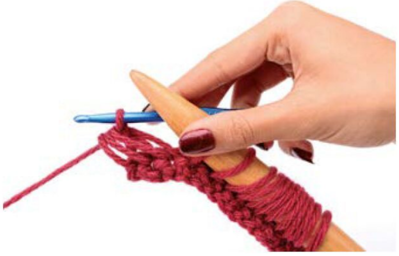


3 All your loops should now be on the knitting needle. Space them evenly along the needle and count to make sure that you have the correct number of stitches

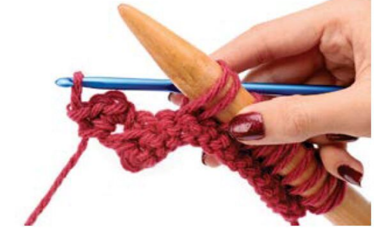
THE TAKE OFF ROW



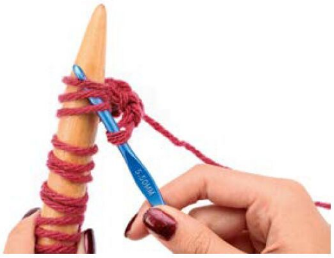
1 Rotate the knitting needle so that top of the loops are facing upwards, insert the hook through the first three loops pointing the hook towards the point of the needle



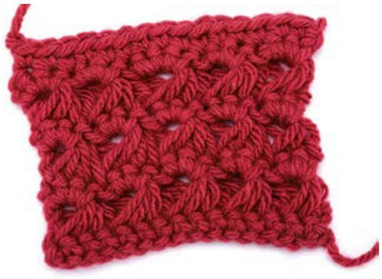
2 Slide the loops on to the hook, making sure the rest of the loops stay on the needle, wrap the yarn around the hook and pull through all three loops to group together



3 Make one chain then work three dc through the centre of the group of loops. When doing so, be careful not to accidentally drop any of the loops from the knitting needle



4 Insert hook through three loops on needle, slide loops to hook, wrap yarn around hook and pull through all three loops [two loops on hook], complete a dc. Work two dc through centre of the group of loops. Repeat



5 Continue to repeat the pick up row followed by the take off row. Keep an eye on your tension, so you end up with a neat and even pattern. Here's how your swatch should look

TOP TIPS

★ Lay the needle on a table or your lap, leaving you with two free hands to work with the yarn and hook.

★ Try holding the three loops together when you crochet through the centre – so you are more likely to catch all the strands.

★ Keep your loops even in size when placing them on the needle and be careful not to stretch them when sliding off the needle.

★ Adjusting the needle size affects the size of your loops, so experiment!

Take It Further

DESIGNER **VIRGINIA COPPINS**

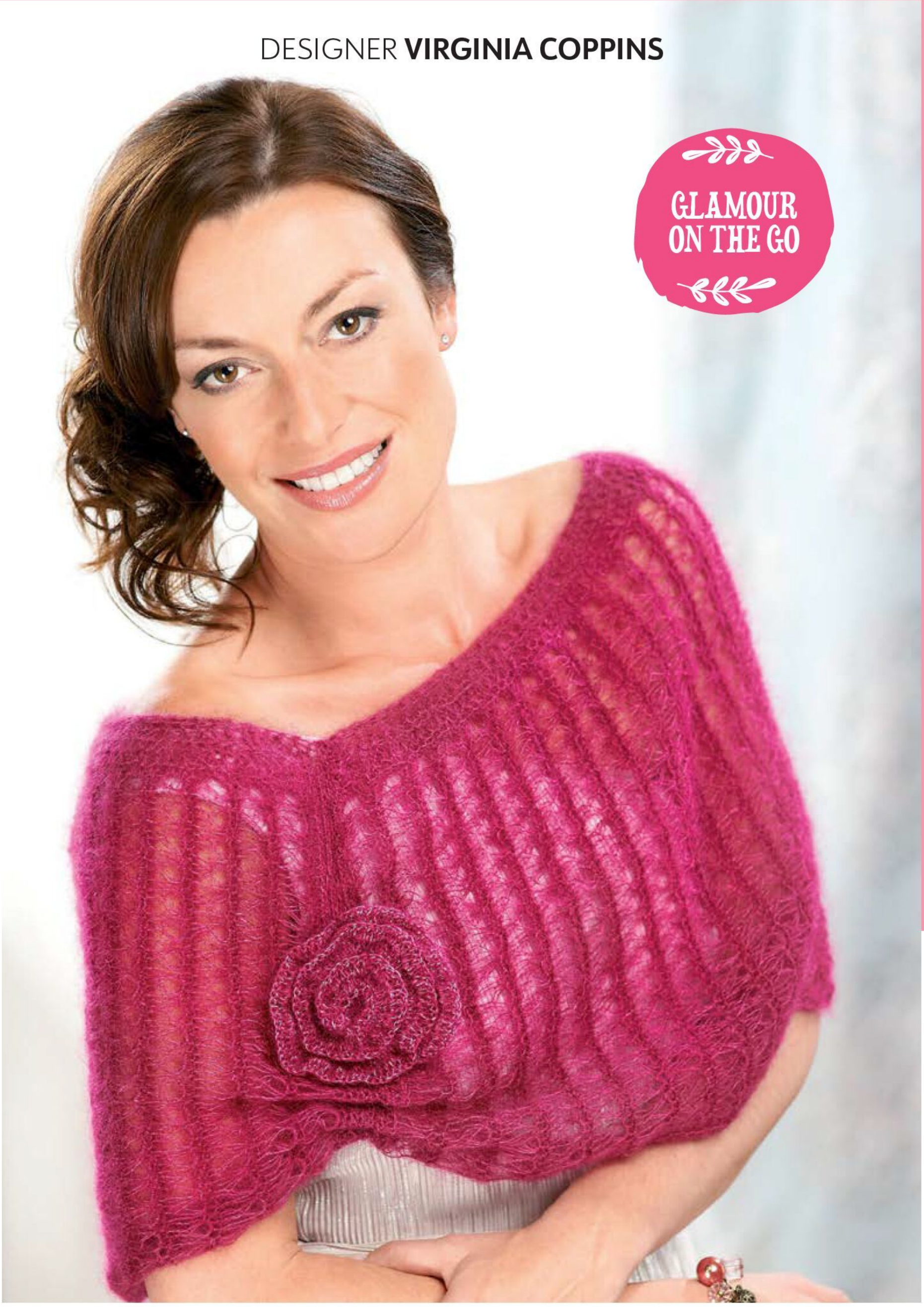
KIT LIST

★ Yarn: Austermann Kid Silk, (A) shade deep pink, three 25g balls, (B) Bergere de France Lurex, Libellule, one 25g reel ★ Crochet hooks: 4.5mm, 5.5mm ★ One 15mm knitting needles

Measurements 32cm deep x 53cm wide

TENSION SQUARE

★ 12 sts x 17 rows
★ 10cm x 10cm
★ Stocking stitch
★ 7mm needles



To crochet this shrug, using 5.5mm hook and yarn A make 61ch

☐ Row 1: 1dc in second ch from hook, 1dc in each ch to end, turn. 60 sts

☐ Row 2: pick up a loop in each st and place them on the knitting needle. 60 loops

☐ Row 3: 3dc in each group of three loops

These two rows form one row of broomstick loops

☐ Rep Rows 2 and 3 until there are 45 rows of broomstick loops ending on a Row 3 Do not cut yarn

SHOULDER SHAPING

Work down edge of shrug as folls:

☐ Row 1: 1ch, * 3htr in edge of broomstick row, 1htr in dc row-end, rep from * working last htr into ch at base, turn

☐ Row 2: 2ch, miss first htr, 1htr in next two htr, * miss next htr, 1htr in next three htr, rep from * to end, turn

☐ Row 3: 2ch, miss first htr, 1htr in each htr to end

☐ Row 4: as shoulder Row 2

☐ Row 5: as shoulder Row 3

☐ Row 6: as shoulder Row 2

☐ Fasten off

BASE

With RS facing, rejoin yarn A into side of broomstick row

☐ Row 1: 2ch, 2htr in broomstick row, 1 htr in dc row-end, * 3htr in broomstick row, 1htr in dc, rep from * to end, turn

☐ Row 2: 2ch, 1htr in each htr to end

☐ Fasten off

CENTRE PANEL

With RS facing rejoin yarn A at beg of second Base row (last row worked)

☐ Row 1: 2ch, 1dc in end of prev row, 1dc in each dc around loops working towards shoulders, 1dc in ends of shoulder shaping rows

☐ Row 2: 1dc in each dc to end

☐ Rep Row 2 three more times

☐ Fasten off

With RS facing rejoin yarn A at top of shoulder on opposite side

☐ Row 1: 2ch, 1dc in end of each row of shoulder shaping, 1dc in each ch on foundation row, finishing with 1dc in ends of base row, turn

☐ Row 2: 2ch, 1dc in each dc to end

☐ Fasten off

Sew centre panel together, loosely pleat the lower half of front and stitch in place

FLOWER

Using 4.5mm hook and yarn A and yarn B held together make 59ch

☐ Row 1: 1dc in second ch from hook, 1dc in each ch to end, turn

☐ Row 2: 3ch, 1tr in each dc to end, turn

☐ Row 3: 3ch, 1tr in first tr, 2tr in each tr to end, turn

☐ Row 4: 3ch, 1tr in each tr to end

Arrange flower in a spiral and attach above gathers on front shrug

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STEP BY STEP

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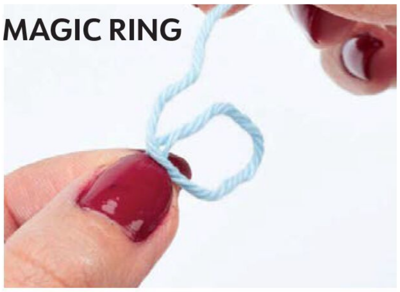
MASTER AMIGURUMI

Adrienne Chandler demystifies the art of making amigurumi toys

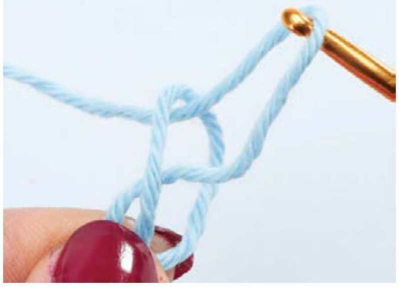
Amigurumis have their own distinctive style. They're commonly made using double crochet stitches, and cotton yarn to produce a firm fabric. Most patterns start with a magic ring, which can be closed tightly so there's no hole, unlike if you joined chains into a ring. The designs are usually worked in a spiral. It's a continuous circular motion, so there's no need to work a turning chain or a closing slip stitch

KIT LIST ★ Yarn: Cotton ★ Crochet hook: Smaller than the recommended size for the yarn so stitches are tight

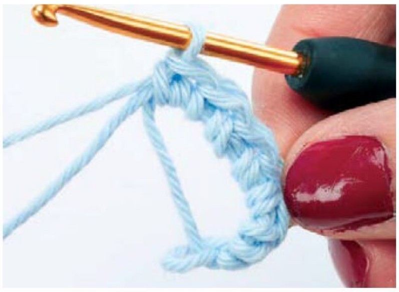
MAGIC RING



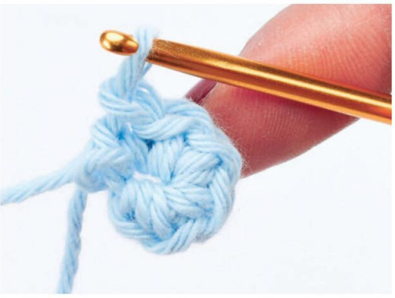
1 To start a magic ring, make a loop of yarn with the tail hanging downwards and the working yarn overlapping in front of the tail



2 Holding the loop in place, insert the hook through the centre of the loop and pull the working yarn through the loop

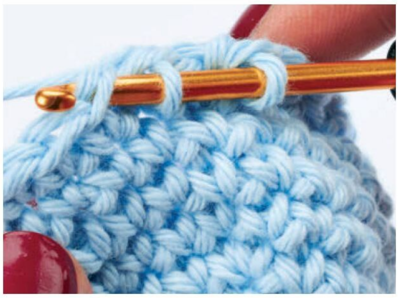


3 Make 1ch, then work dcs into loop as instructed on Foundation round, making sure that you work over the tail for the first couple of sts

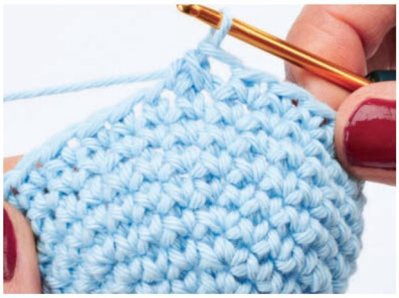


4 When the Foundation round is complete, pull the tail to close the hole in the centre of the loop. You now have a firm base to start your toy

DECREASING DC2TOG

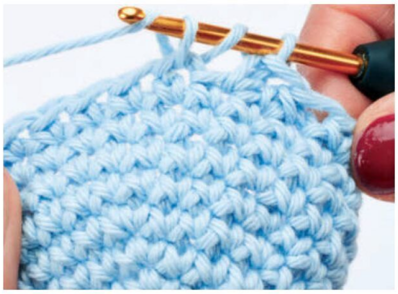


1 In amigurumi crochet, you will mainly use dc2tog to decrease. Insert hook into next st, yoh, pull through st, insert hook into next st

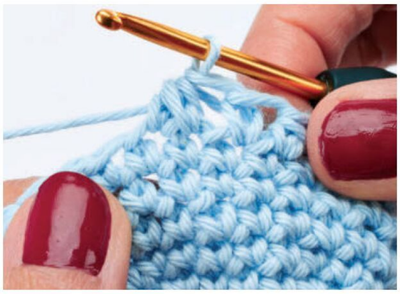


2 Yoh, pull through st, yoh, pull through all three loops. If working tiny limbs, it's wise to stuff as you go to keep the working area open and make it easier to see your stitches

DECREASING HTR2TOG

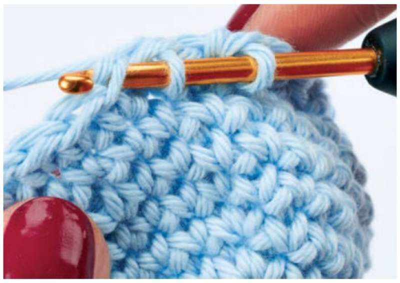


1 One exception is a htr2tog, where you will have three loops on the hook before starting to work the second stitch. To do this Yoh, insert hook into next st, yoh, pull through st (end of first st), yoh



2 Insert hook into next st, yoh, pull through st, yoh, then pull through all five loops on the hook Stuff project before you work the final round, work the last round and pull tightly to fasten off

INCREASING



1 Once you have worked your magic ring and foundation round, you will start to increase on each round. Simply work two double crochets in the same stitch when instructed

Take It Further

KIT LIST

- ★ DK sequin yarn: cream, grey, one 25g ball of each
- ★ Crochet hook, 3.5mm
- ★ Safety toy eyes, black, 12mm, one pair
- ★ Fabric, scrap
- ★ Felt, silver-grey, soft pink, peach
- ★ Embroidery thread, Anchor stranded cotton, shade 234
- ★ Fray Check
- ★ Felting needle, 40 gauge
- ★ Yarn needle
- ★ Ribbon, white, 4mm wide
- ★ Sequin
- ★ Stitch markers
- ★ Fabric glue
- ★ Safety toy stuffing

Size: 22cm x 10cm

TENSION SQUARE

- ★ 24sts x 26 rows
- ★ 10cm x 10cm
- ★ Double crochet
- ★ 3.5mm hook

DESIGNER **LIZ WARD**

TEMPLATE
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BUNNY

NOTE: unless otherwise stated, work one crochet stitch in each stitch

BODY & HEAD

Using 3.5mm hook and grey yarn, make a magic ring (see p136)

☐ Foundation rnd: 6dc into ring. Six sts

☐ Rnd 1: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts

☐ Rnd 2: (1dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 18 sts

☐ Rnd 3: (2dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 24 sts

☐ Rnd 4: (3dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 30 sts

☐ Rnd 5: (9dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 33 sts

☐ Rnd 6: (10dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 36 sts

☐ Rnd 7: (11dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 39 sts

☐ Rnd 8: (12dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 42 sts

☐ Rnd 9: (13dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 45 sts

☐ Rnd 10: (14dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 48 sts

☐ Rnd 11: (15dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 51 sts

☐ Rnd 12: (16dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 54 sts

Place two markers on next rnd 12 sts apart to mark position for eyes

☐ Rnds 13-14: 1dc in each st to end

☐ Rnd 15: (dc2tog, 7dc) to end. 48 sts

☐ Rnd 16: (dc2tog, 6dc) to end. 42 sts

☐ Rnd 17: (dc2tog, 5dc) to end. 36 sts

☐ Rnd 18: (dc2tog, 4dc) to end. 30 sts

☐ Rnd 19: (dc2tog) to end. 15 sts

Place working loop on a holder. Attach toy eyes to Head to correspond with Rnd 13 markers. Fill Head with toy stuffing

Return working loop to hook and cont for Body as folls:

☐ Rnd 20: (4dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 18 sts

☐ Rnd 21 and next six alt rnds: 1dc in each st to end

☐ Rnd 22: (5dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 21 sts

☐ Rnd 24: (6dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 24 sts

☐ Rnd 26: (7dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 27 sts

☐ Rnd 28: (8dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 30 sts

☐ Rnd 30: (9dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 33 sts

☐ Rnd 32: (10dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 36 sts

☐ Rnd 34: (dc2tog, 10dc) to end. 33 sts

☐ Rnd 35: (dc2tog, 9dc) to end. 30 sts

☐ Rnd 36: (dc2tog, 3dc) to end. 24 sts

☐ Rnd 37: (dc2tog, 2dc) to end. 18 sts

☐ Rnd 38: (dc2tog, 1dc) to end. 12 sts

☐ Rnd 39: (dc2tog) to end. Six sts

☐ Fasten off leaving a long tail and firmly stuff Body. Thread yarn tail on to a tapestry needle and weave through last rnd, pull tight to close hole. Weave in ends

ARMS (MAKE 2)

Using 3.5mm hook and grey yarn make a magic ring

☐ Foundation rnd: 6dc into ring. Six sts

☐ Rnd 1: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts

☐ Rnds 2-3: 1dc in each st to end

☐ Rnds 4-5: dc2tog, 1dc in each st to end. Ten sts

☐ Rnd 6: 5dc, dc2tog, 3dc. Nine sts

☐ Rnd 7: dc2tog, 1dc in each

st to end. Eight sts
☐ Rnds 8-17: 1dc in each st to end
Fasten off leaving a long tail. Firmly stuff Arms. Thread tail on to a tapestry needle and weave through last rnd, pull tight to close hole. Do not trim yarn tail

LEGS (MAKE 2)

Using 3.5mm hook and grey yarn, make a magic ring
☐ Foundation rnd: 6dc into ring. Six sts
☐ Rnd 1: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts
☐ Rnd 2: 2dc, 2dc in next st, 2dc, 3htr in next st, 2htr, 3htr in next st, 2dc, 2dc in last st. 18 sts
☐ Rnd 3: 3dc, 2dc in next st, 2dc, 1htr, 2htr in next st, 4htr, 2htr in next st, 1htr, 1dc, 2dc in next st, 2dc. 22 sts
☐ Rnd 4: 2dc in first st, 8dc, 3htr in next st, 5htr, 3htr in next st, 6dc. 27 sts
☐ Rnd 5: 1dc in each st to end. 27 sts
☐ Rnd 6: 1dc, dc2tog, 8dc, dc2tog, 6dc, dc2tog, 6dc. 24 sts
☐ Rnd 7: 11dc, htr3tog, 3htr,htr3tog, 4dc. 20 sts
☐ Rnd 8: 3dc, dc2tog, 4dc, dc2tog, 1dc, dc2tog, 1dc, dc2tog, 3dc. 16 sts
☐ Rnd 9: 8dc, dc2tog, 1dc, dc2tog, 3dc. 14 sts
☐ Rnd 10: 1dc in each st to end
☐ Rnd 11: dc2tog, 1dc in each st to end
☐ Rnds 12-22: rep last two rnds five times. Eight sts
Fasten off leaving a long tail Firmly stuff Legs. Thread tail on to a tapestry needle and weave through last rnd, pull tight to close hole. Do not cut yarn tail. Cut shape 3 from cotton fabric, use Fray Check around raw edge to prevent fraying. When dry, sew on to base of foot

EARS (MAKE 2)

Using 3.5mm hook and grey yarn make a magic ring
☐ Foundation rnd: 6dc into ring. Six sts
☐ Rnd 1: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts
☐ Rnd 2: (1dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 18 sts
☐ Rnd 3: 1dc in each st to end
☐ Rnd 4: (2dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 24 sts
☐ Rnds 5-6: 1dc in each st to end
☐ Rnd 7: dc2tog, 1dc in each st to end. 23 sts
☐ Rnds 8-20: rep last rnd 13 times. Ten sts
☐ Rnds 21-23: 1dc in each st to end Fasten off
Flatten Ear. Cut out shape 4 from cotton fabric, use Fray Check around raw edge to prevent fraying. When dry, sew fabric in place

LIZ'S TOP TIPS

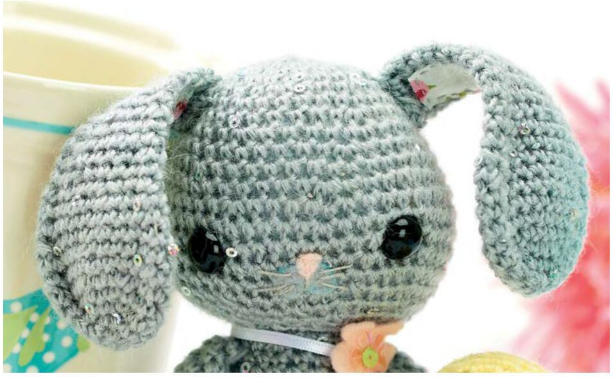
- If giving bunny to small children, embroider the eyes and nose, omit the ribbon tie, use a non-sequin yarn and ensure all appendages are firmly attached.
- Unless otherwise stated you will be working through both loops that form the 'V' at the top of the stitch from the previous round. However, you can alter the shape of your crochet by working into just one of these loops.
- Practise the embroidery for the facial features to get it right before you do it on your bunny's face. It's only a few stitches but it can really change the bunny's character.
- The Bunny's nose is attached using needle felting. A felting needle is made up of small barbs. Place the felt nose shape on top of the knitted fabric. Repeatedly poke through both layers with the felting needle until the nose has fused to the knitting.
- Stuff your bunny firmly as this will help it keep its shape.
- Amigurumi patterns are quite forgiving. If you are one or two stitches off your stitch count at the end of the round, it won't show that much when you've finished your bunny. You can always correct your count on the next round.

TAIL

Using 3.5mm hook and cream yarn make a magic ring
☐ Foundation rnd: 6dc into ring. Six sts
☐ Rnd 1: 2dc in each st to end. 12 sts
☐ Rnds 2-3: 1dc in each st to end
☐ Rnd 4: (dc2tog) six times. Six sts
Fasten off leaving a long tail Firmly stuff Tail. Thread yarn tail on to a tapestry needle and weave through last rnd, pull tight to close hole. Do not cut yarn tail

TO MAKE UP

To create the face, cut shape 1 from silver-grey felt and shape 2 from light pink felt. Position on Head using photo as a guide. Using a felting needle, poke the felt pieces until they are attached to the knitting. Embroider whiskers over the top and a short line to join the pink nose to the mouth. Pin Arms, Legs, Ears and Tail on to body, positioning Legs so that bunny is seated. When happy with the placement, use tails of yarn to attach each part. Cut a length of ribbon and place round the neck. Secure with fabric glue. Cut a flower shape out of light pink felt, decorate this with a flower sequin and glue both to ribbon using photo as a guide



KIT LIST

- Yarn, DK: yellow, one 50g ball
- 3.5mm hook
- Safety toy eyes, black, 12mm, one pair

Size: 6cm x 7cm

TENSION SQUARE

- 10cm x 10cm
- Double crochet
- 3.5mm hook
- 24 sts x 26 rows

CHICK

NOTE: unless otherwise stated, work one crochet stitch in each stitch

BODY

Using 3.5mm hook and yellow yarn, make a magic ring

☐ Foundation rnd: 4dc in ring. Four sts

☐ Rnd 1: 2dc in each st to end. Eight sts

☐ Rnds 2-3: (1dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 18 sts

☐ Rnd 4: (2dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 24 sts

☐ Rnd 5: (3dc, 2dc in next st) to end. 30 sts

☐ Rnds 6-9: 1dc in each st to end

Place working loop on a holder and attach safety toy eyes on fourth rnd, positioning them four 'vertical posts' apart

Return working loop to hook and cont as folls:

☐ Rnd 10: (dc2tog, 3dc) to end. 24 sts

☐ Rnd 11: (dc2tog, 2dc) to end. 18 sts

☐ Rnd 12: (dc2tog, 1dc) to end. 12 sts

Stuff body firmly

☐ Rnd 13: (dc2tog) to end. Six sts

☐ Fasten off leaving a long tail

WINGS (MAKE 2)

NOTE: worked along both front and back of foundation ch

Using 3.5mm hook and yellow yarn, make five ch

☐ Row 1: sl st in second ch from hook, 1dc in next ch, 1htr in next ch, 3tr in last ch, turn, working through back loop of ch 1htr in back of next ch, 1dc in back of next ch, sl st to join to first st. Nine sts

☐ Fasten off leaving a long tail

TAIL

NOTE: worked in rows

Using 3.5mm hook and yellow yarn, make six ch

☐ Row 1: sl st in second ch from hook, 1dc in next ch, htr in next two ch, 1tr in last ch. Six sts

☐ Row 2: 2ch, 1tr, 2htr, 2dc, turn

☐ Fasten off leaving a long tail

TO MAKE UP

Thread tail on to a tapestry needle and weave through last round of body, pull tight to close hole at base. Weave in ends. Use yarn tail from Wings to attach them to Body. Sew tail on to Body. Cut two beak shapes from peach felt using the template and glue to front of head, using photo as a guide

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MAKE IT WITH mum

Beginner

KIT LIST

★ DK yarn: blue, green
★ Crochet hook, 5mm
★ Button ★ Yarn needle

Cosy: approx 4.5cm x 10cm

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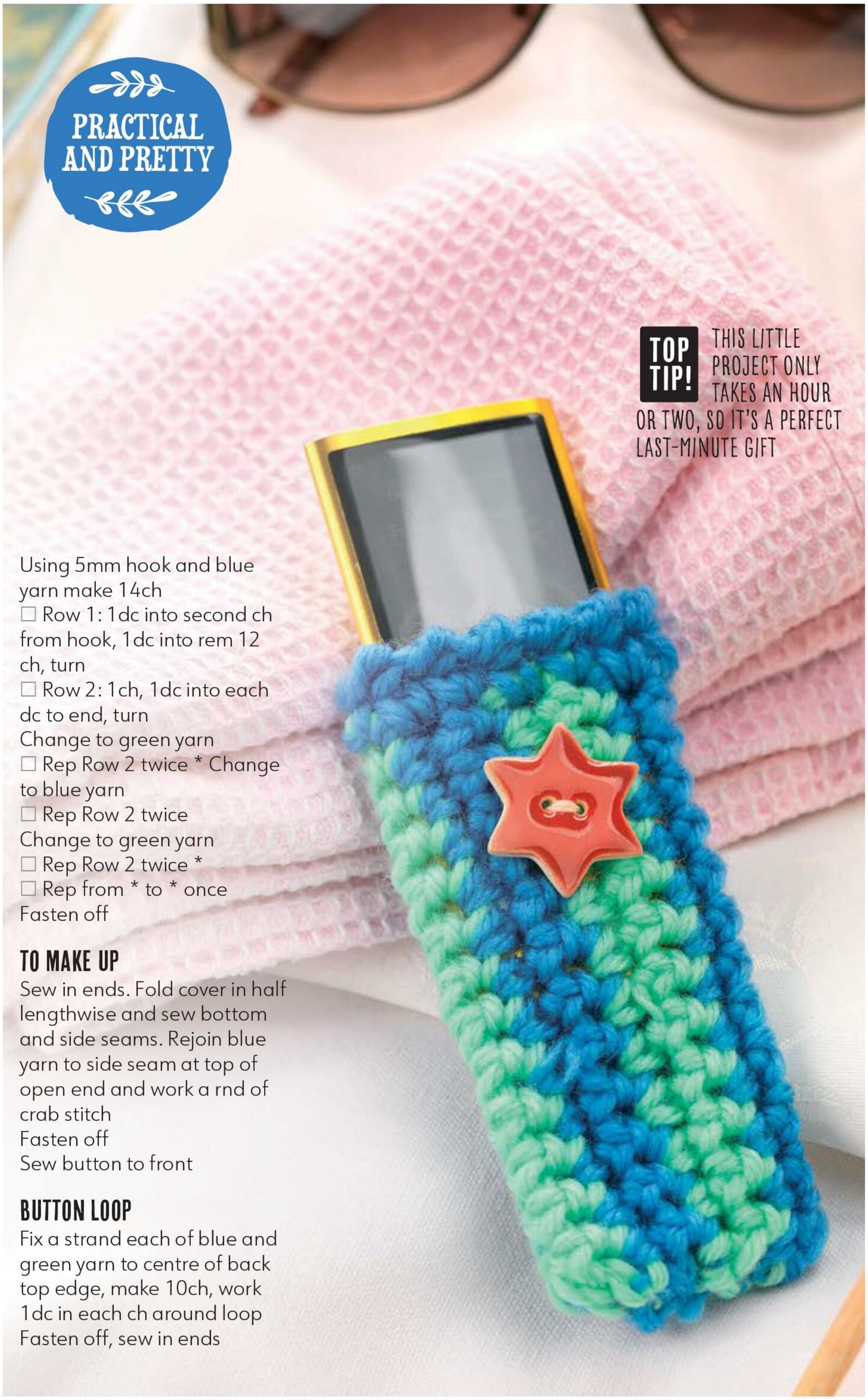
We say "The decorative top trim uses crab stitch (reverse double crochet), see p142"

BEFORE YOU START

TO MAKE THIS FIT LARGER PHONES, INCREASE THE ORIGINAL CHAIN LENGTH UNTIL IT CAN WRAP AROUND YOUR DEVICE, AND KEEP ADDING TO THE NUMBER OF DOUBLE CROCHET ROWS YOU WORK UNTIL LONG ENOUGH


PRACTICAL AND PRETTY

TOP TIP! THIS LITTLE PROJECT ONLY TAKES AN HOUR OR TWO, SO IT'S A PERFECT LAST-MINUTE GIFT

Using 5mm hook and blue yarn make 14ch
☐ Row 1: 1dc into second ch from hook, 1dc into rem 12 ch, turn
☐ Row 2: 1ch, 1dc into each dc to end, turn
Change to green yarn
☐ Rep Row 2 twice * Change to blue yarn
☐ Rep Row 2 twice
Change to green yarn
☐ Rep Row 2 twice *
☐ Rep from * to * once
Fasten off

TO MAKE UP

Sew in ends. Fold cover in half lengthwise and sew bottom and side seams. Rejoin blue yarn to side seam at top of open end and work a rnd of crab stitch
Fasten off
Sew button to front

BUTTON LOOP

Fix a strand each of blue and green yarn to centre of back top edge, make 10ch, work 1dc in each ch around loop
Fasten off, sew in ends

MAKE ME ON DAY 76

CHALLENGE YOURSELF:
HOOK UP

Getting together with fellow crafters has many benefits

Whether it's kind words of encouragement, advice on a project, being inspired by someone else's makes or just talking through a personal block, our creative talents can flourish with the support of other crafting souls. Sharing our skills and passions with others is a valuable exercise in self-development as well as social bonding; it can also be a healing process, helping people to overcome loneliness, insecurity and anxiety.

If you're a friend in need with a creative urge to satisfy, a crocheting workshop or club could be just what the doctor ordered, inspiring you to greater heights and enriching your life in ways you never expected.

If you're nervous about not knowing anyone, you'll find you can focus on your craft so there is less pressure to create conversation – after all, busying the hands steadies the mind and makes it much easier to interact without inhibitions. And you'll likely find that sharing a passion for a craft can be the catalyst for friendship as well as personal growth – all while you're having fun stitching something lovely!

Deciding on the right club for you is a personal choice. You may prefer the low-key dynamic of a pen pal scheme, or feel more comfortable with the formalised framework of the Women's Institute (thewi.org.uk). Obby.co.uk is a fab website to discover a variety of crafting classes, or you could find a charity-led crochet-along where you'll bond over a shared project. And you could always try an online course first if you're unsure or unable to travel.

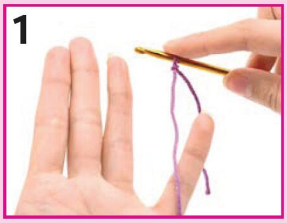
So take a chance and spend the day looking for a group or two you could try. Sign up and celebrate the start of new skills, new friendships and a renewed passion for crochet.

HOW TO CROCHET

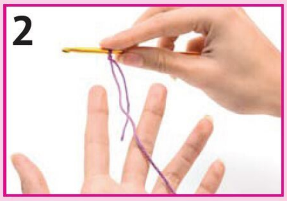
Essential tips and techniques for all your crochet projects

HOLDING THE YARN

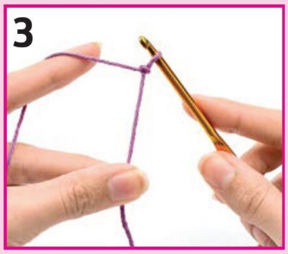
There are many ways of tensioning the yarn in crochet, and this is one



Step 1: make a slip knot (see opposite page) on the hook. Take the yarn between your ring and little finger



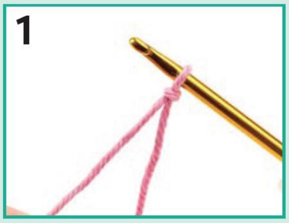
Step 2: wrap the yarn around your little finger and take it between your index and middle finger



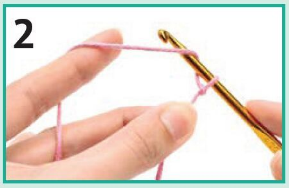
Step 3: bring the yarn in front of your index finger to tension it, and grip the work with your thumb and middle finger

FOUNDATION CHAIN

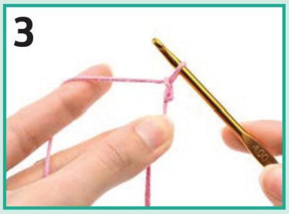
This forms the base of most crochet projects and will get you used to the movement



Step 1: make a slip knot (see opposite page) and place it on the hook



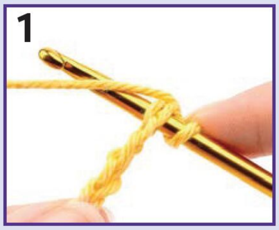
Step 2: tensioning the yarn, wrap the yarn around the hook from back to front (yoh)



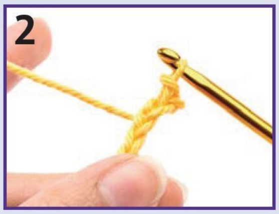
Step 3: pull the hook through the slip knot, catching the yarn. You will have one loop on your hook. This is one chain stitch (ch). Repeat Steps 2 and 3 to make more chain stitches – do not count the loop on your hook as a stitch

SLIP STITCH (SL ST / SS)

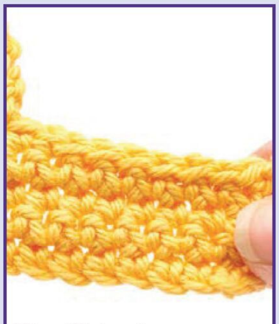
This is a travelling stitch that can be used for shaping. It is also useful for joining in yarn



Step 1: insert hook into stitch or chain and wrap the yarn around the hook



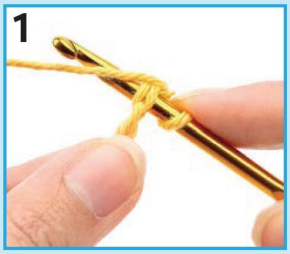
Step 2: pull yarn through stitch and through loop that is already on your hook



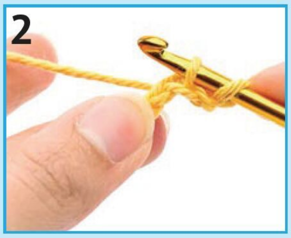
Slip stitch edge

DOUBLE CROCHET (DC)

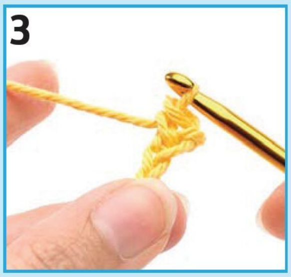
This is one of the easiest stitches to work and is used a lot in making crochet toys



Step 1: insert hook into stitch or chain and wrap the yarn around the hook



Step 2: pull yarn through stitch, so you have two loops on your hook

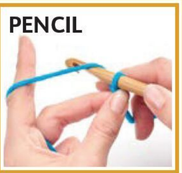


Step 3: yoh and pull through both loops

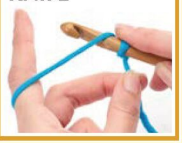
HOW TO HOLD YOUR HOOK

The two basic ways of holding a crochet hook are in the knife or pencil position. If neither is comfortable for you, feel free to find a way that suits you and your style of crocheting – just make sure your tension stays even. To do this, use your opposite hand to hold your yarn. Wrap the yarn around your index finger and hold your work between your middle finger and thumb, just beneath the crochet hook. You can then hold the hook as if you were going to write a sentence with a pencil, as if you'll cut up your dinner with a knife, or something completely different

PENCIL



KNIFE

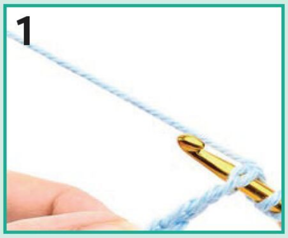


SUBSTITUTING YARN

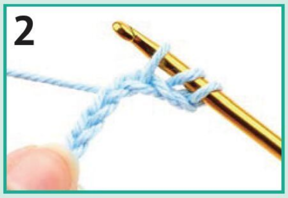
If you're making a garment or big project that requires a specific tension and plan on using different yarns, it's best to choose one with a similar tension to the specified yarn, going by the details given on the ball band. Also, look at the meterage of the new yarn, rather than the weight of the ball. Not all 50g balls have the same meterage and you don't want to run short when nearing the end of your project

HALF TREBLE (HTR)

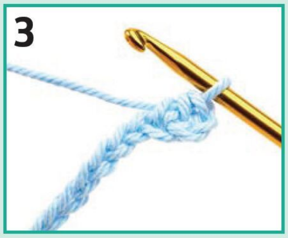
This is a slightly taller stitch than double crochet



Step 1: yoh, then insert hook into stitch



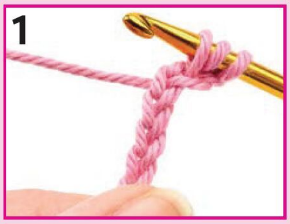
Step 2: yoh, then pull yarn through stitch so there are three loops



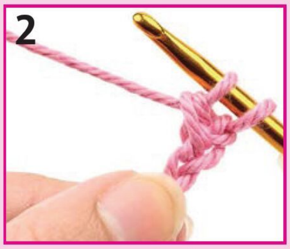
Step 3: yoh and pull through all three loops

TREBLE (TR)

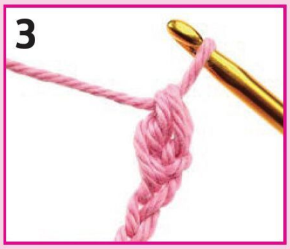
An even taller stitch, this creates a slightly openwork fabric



Step 1: work as for steps 1-2 of a half treble stitch



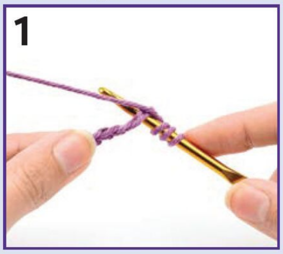
Step 2: yoh and pull it through first two loops only



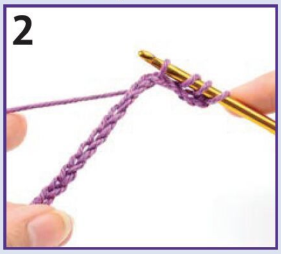
Step 3: yoh and pull it through last two loops on your hook

DOUBLE TREBLE (DTR)

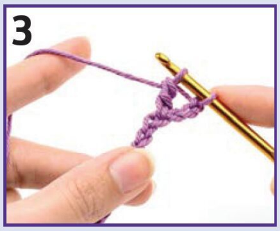
This long stitch is worked in a similar way to a treble



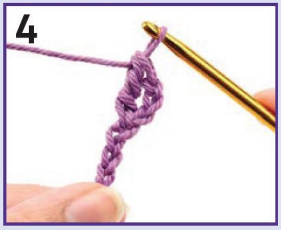
Step 1: yoh twice, then insert hook into stitch



Step 2: yoh, then pull yarn through stitch so there are four loops on your hook



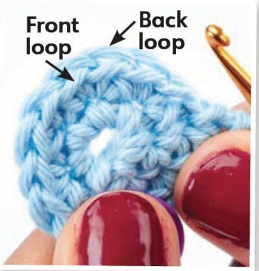
Step 3: work as for Step 2 of treble



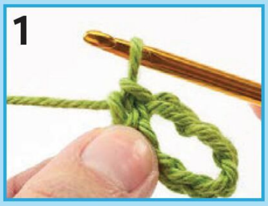
Step 4: work as for Step 3 of treble

FRONT & BACK LOOPS

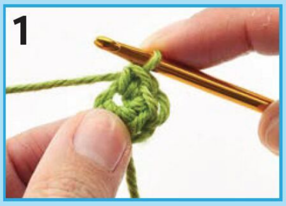
Unless otherwise stated you will be working through both loops that form the 'V' at the top of the stitch from the previous round. However, you can alter the shape of your crochet by working into just one of these loops



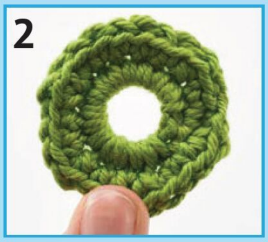
CHAINS AND SLIP STITCHES



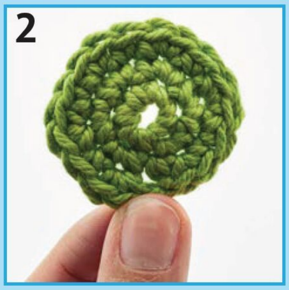
Step 1: If you want a circle with a hole in the centre, work a number of chain stitches, then work a slip stitch in the first chain to make a ring



Step 1: Another method is to make two chain stitches, then work into the second chain several times to form the first round of your ring

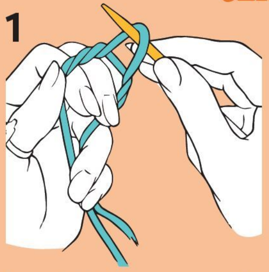


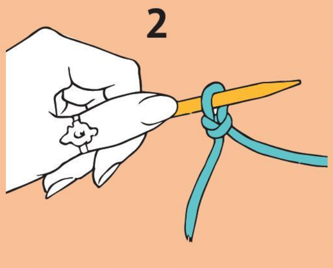
Step 2: Work into the centre of the ring on your next round, then on all following rounds, work into the top of the stitch as normal



Step 2: This leaves a small hole in the centre, which can be sewn closed, if you wish

SLIP KNOT





Step 1: Hold the yarn under your left thumb, wrap it twice around your left index and middle fingers, with the second loop closer to the base of the fingers. With the backs of the fingers uppermost, insert the tip of the needle beneath the first loop and over the second, then pull the second loop under the first

Step 2: Remove your two fingers and gently tug on both ends of yarn to tighten the slip knot around the needle

FASTENING OFF

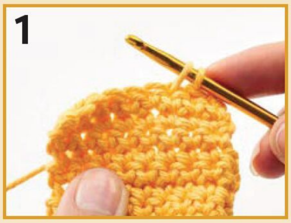
To finish your work, simply cut the yarn leaving a tail, wrap the yarn around the hook, then pull it all the way through the loop

INCREASING

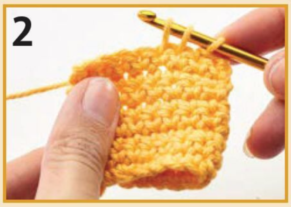
The easiest way of increasing is to work several times into the same stitch. This method can be used whether you are working in rows or in the round, or using any stitch. You will need to do this to make the diameter of your circular crochet bigger

DC2TOG

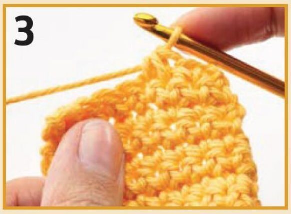
This is one of the easiest stitches to work and is used a lot in making crochet toys



Step 1: insert the hook into the next st, yoh and pull the loop through the stitch as for a normal dc



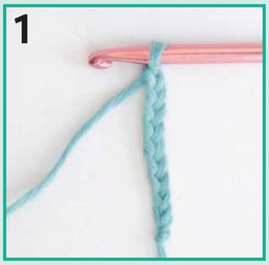
Step 2: instead of completing the dc, insert your hook into the next stitch in your row or round, yoh and pull the loop through the stitch, so you have three loops on your hook



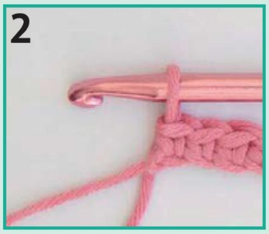
Step 3: yoh, then pull through all the loops on the hook. For a dc3tog, work Step 2 twice, so you have four loops on your hook

COUNTING, ONE, TWO, THREE...

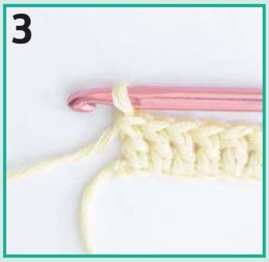
For neat projects be sure to count, count, count!



Step 1: Whether you're counting chains or stitches, always remember the first slip knot doesn't count and neither does your working loop (the one on your hook)



Step 2: When counting short stitches (e.g. double crochet), the easiest way is to count the plaited 'V' shapes at the top



Step 3: For taller stitches like trebles, the best way is to count the upright 'stems' – there is one for each stitch you make

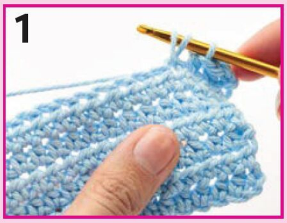
YARN VS HOOK

Yarn Type	Hook Size
Lace	1.6-2.2mm
4ply	2.25-3.5mm
DK	3.5-5.5mm
Aran	5.5-6.5mm
Chunky	6.5-9mm
Super Chunky	9mm+

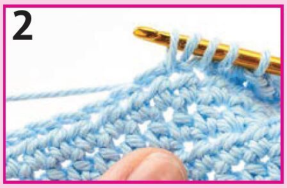
TOP TIP! USE A MIRROR TO REVERSE THE HOW-TO STITCH PICS FOR LEFT-HANDED CROCHETING

HTR2TOG

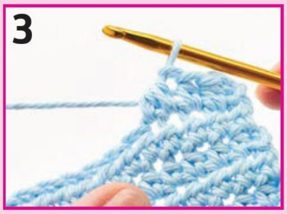
To combine two stitches with a half treble, follow this guide



Step 1: yoh, insert the hook into the next st, yoh and pull the loop through the stitch



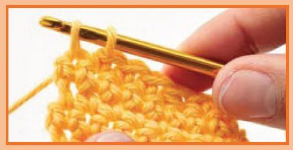
Step 2: repeat Step 1 in the next stitch, so you have five loops on your hook



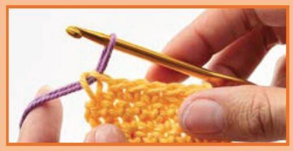
Step 3: yoh, then pull through all the loops on the hook

JOINING IN A NEW COLOUR

The neatest way to join a new yarn is during the last movement of the previous stitch, like in this double crochet stitch



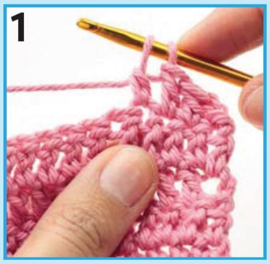
Step 1: insert the hook into the next stitch, yoh and pull the loop through the stitch – two loops on hook



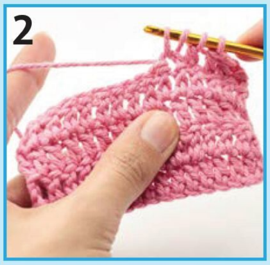
Step 2: using the new colour, yoh and pull through both loops. Pull yarn tails to tighten loops if needed

TR2TOG

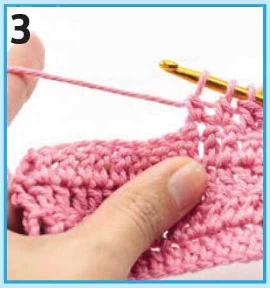
Join two stitches from the previous row or round with this treble technique



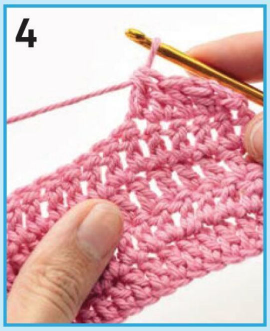
Step 1: start working as for a normal treble crochet stitch, but stop when you have two loops left on your hook



Step 2: yoh, insert the hook into the next st, yoh and pull the loop through the stitch so you have four loops on the hook



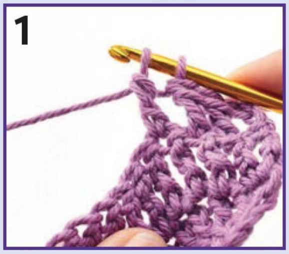
Step 3: yoh, pull through the first two loops on the hook, so three loops remain



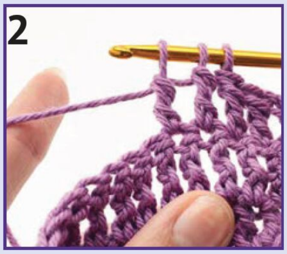
Step 4: yoh, then pull through all the loops on the hook

DTR2TOG

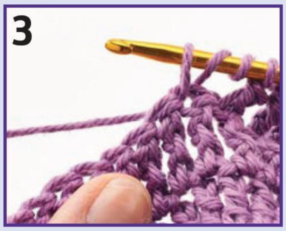
Much like tr2tog, this will combine two stitches into one



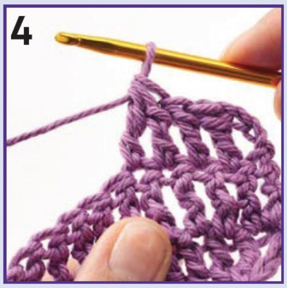
Step 1: start working as for a normal double treble crochet stitch, but stop when you have two loops left on your hook



Step 2: yoh twice, insert hook into next st, yoh and pull loop through stitch, giving you five loops on the hook



Step 3: yoh, pull through two loops on hook, yoh, pull through next two loops on hook, so you have three loops on your hook



Step 4: yoh, then pull through all the loops on the hook

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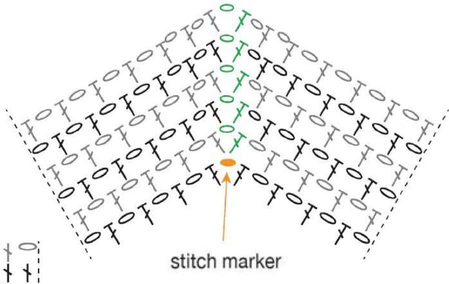
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102 SUMMER COVER-UP

Designer: Bergère de France
Stitch diagrams
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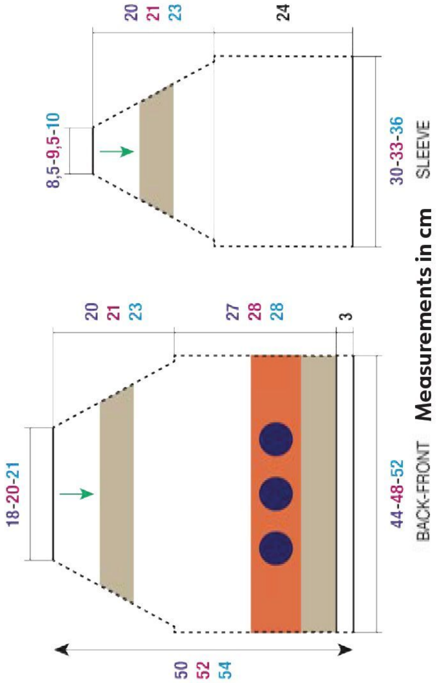
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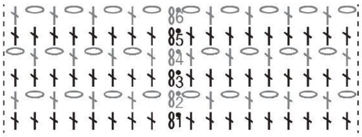
PATTERN STITCH IN THE ROUND (following on from Lace Stitch)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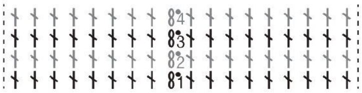

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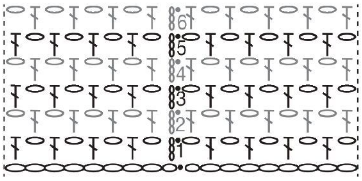

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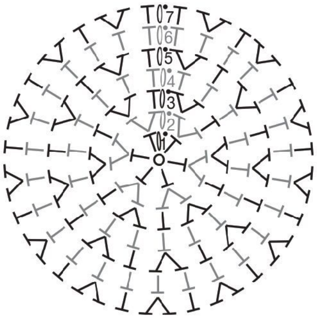

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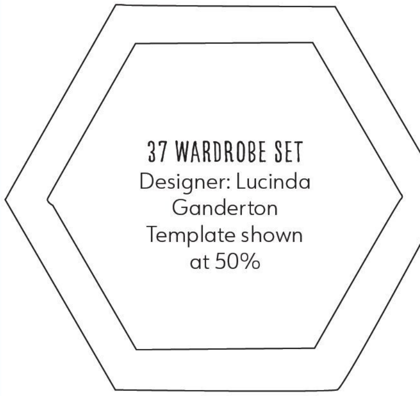
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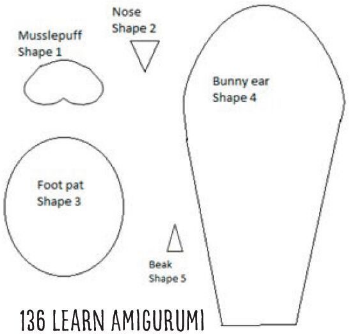

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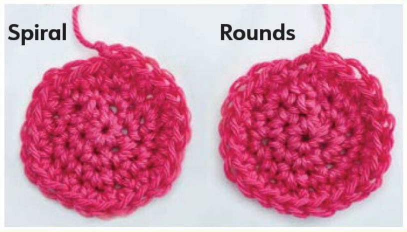
SPIRAL VS WORKING IN THE ROUND

When working in the round, you usually have a turning chain and close the round with a slip stitch. However, most amigurumi designs are worked in a spiral, so there is no need to work a turning chain or a closing slip stitch



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94 POLAR BEAR RUG
Designer: Vanessa Mooncie

GLOSSARY

2 tr cl: two treble cluster – (Yrh and insert hook in sp or st, yrh and pull yarn through work, yrh and pull yarn through first two loops on hook) twice in same st. Three loops now on hook. Yrh and pull yarn through all three loops on hook to complete
alt: alternate
approx: approximately
Bb: work the stitch into the back bump of the foundation chain
beg: beginning
begtr2tog: beginning treble two together – 2ch (counts as start of tr2tog) one loop on hook. Yoh, insert through next st, yoh, pull through all loops on hook
bet: between
BLO: back loop only
ch: chain stitch
ch sp: chain space
cont: continue(ing)
crab stitch: reverse double crochet – It is worked from left to right along the edge of the fabric. 1ch, keeping the yarn at the reverse of the work insert the hook from front to back through the next st, yoh, draw through st. Two loops on hook. Yoh, draw through all loops
dc: double crochet
dc2tog: double crochet two together
dec: decrease(ing)
dtr: double treble crochet
edc: elongated double crochet – Insert hook in st two rounds below current round, yrh, pull yarn up level to current round, yrh, pull through both loops on hook to complete edc
foll/folls: following
fpdc: front post double crochet – Yoh, insert hook from front to back around post of st indicated, yoh and pull up a loop even with loop on hook. Three loops on hook. (Yoh and draw through 2 loops on hook) twice
fptr: front post treble – Yoh, insert hook around post of st from front right to front left, yoh, pull through under st. Three loops on hook. (Yoh and pull through two loops) twice
htr: half treble crochet
inc: increase(ing)
invisible dc2tog: invisible double crochet together – Insert your hook into the front loop of the first stitch, then the front loop of the second stitch, yoh, pull through the first two loops on your hook, yoh, pull through the remaining two loops
Lark's head knot: Fold yarn length in half and bring the folded end around the base you're tying a knot on, from front to back, then pull the loose ends through the folded end
l-tr: linked treble – Insert hook in horizontal bar on previous tr, yoh, pull through bar, insert hook in next st, yoh, pull through st. Three loops on hook. (Yoh, pull through two loops on hook) twice. For the first l-tr after 3ch, insert hook in second ch from hook, yoh, pull through ch, insert hook in next st, yoh, pull through st. Three loops on hook. (Yoh, pull through two loops on hook) twice
meas: measure(s)
patt: pattern
picot: 3ch, one sl st in first ch
pm: place marker
prev: previous
Reef knot: Fold both yarn ends in half, place them one on top of other, with ends pointing in opposite directions, tuck ends of one piece under loop of the other and then pull ends up through middle of loop
rem: remain(ing)
rep/rpt: repeat(ing)
rm: remove marker
rnd(s): round(s)
RS: right side
sl st/ss: slip stitch
sm: slip marker
sp(s): space(s)
st(s): stitch(es)
tks: tunisian knit stitch – This is worked through the work from front to back through the middle of the stitch, between the front and back posts. Work a foundation row and standard return. Skip the first stitch and insert the hook through the middle of the second stitch. The hook should go between the front vertical bar and the back vertical bar and come out through the back of the work. Wrap the yarn around the hook. Draw the hook back pulling the yarn back through the stitch. Pull completely through and out at the front of the work so a new loop is on the hook. Repeat in each stitch across and make one edge stitch in the last stitch. Finish the row with a standard return
tog: together
tr: treble crochet
tr2tog between sts: treble two together between stitches – Yoh, insert hook into sp, yoh, pull up loop. Three loops on hook. Yoh, pull through two loops. Two loops on hook. Yoh, insert hook into same sp, yoh, pull up loop. Four loops on hook. Yoh, pull through two loops. Three loops on hook. Yoh, pull through all loops on hook
tr3tog: treble three together – Yoh, insert hook into next st, yoh, pull yarn through st. Three loops on hook. Yoh, pull yarn through first two loops. Two loops on hook. Yoh, insert hook into next st, yoh, pull yarn through st. Four loops on hook. Yoh, pull yarn through first two loops. Three loops on hook. Yoh, insert hook into next st, yoh, pull yarn through st, yoh, pull yarn through first two loops. Four loops on hook. Yoh, pull yarn through all loops on hook.
trtr: triple treble – With one loop on hook, yoh three times, insert hook in st, (yoh, pull yarn through two loops) four times
tunisian edge stitch: To achieve a neat and sturdy edge at the far end of your row when working any Tunisian crochet stitch, you always finish a forward pass with an 'edge stitch'. If you look at the last stitch of your row, you will see two vertical bars at the front/side and a vertical bar at the back. Insert the hook through the middle of the last stitch of the row going through the work so you have two bars on your hook and one bar behind. Wrap the yarn around the hook. Pull the yarn under the two bars. Your final stitch of the row is now on the hook ready to begin the return pass
tunisian foundation row: Create a chain of the required length. Turn the front of the chain to the back and you will see that there are 'bumps' on the back of the chain. Insert your hook through the back bump of the second chain from your hook. Wrap the yarn around the end of the hook. Draw back the hook pulling the yarn through one loop on the hook. You will now have pulled a new loop through your chain and have two loops on the hook. Repeat the previous steps through each back bump along your chain to the end. You should have the same number of loops on your hook as chains made. The end of the hook will now be back at the start of your chain
tunisian standard return pass: Once you have made your forward pass (the stitches you pick up onto your hook), you are now ready to work the return pass (taking those stitches back off the hook). Wrap the yarn around the hook and pull it through one loop. Starting the return pass by pulling through just one loop is important as it ensures your last stitch of the forward pass stands up; without it you will lose stitches and decrease your row. Wrap the yarn around the hook again and pull it through two loops. You will see the return pass row beginning to form horizontally. Continue to wrap the yarn around the hook and pull through two loops at a time, until you are left with one loop on the hook
WS: wrong side
yoh: yarn over hook
yrh: yarn round hook
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